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EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT.

The Eighth Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Fireman's Association convened in the Courthouse in the city of Salisbury, on Wednesday, August 19th, 1896.

MORNING SESSION.

President James D. McNeill called the Convention to order at 10 o'clock, and requested Rev. C. A. Rose, of Salisbury, to open the Convention with prayer, who invoked the blessing of God in the following words:

Almighty God, we come before Thee, and we acknowledge Thee as the source of our being. We would come before Thee and we would ask Thee to look with favor upon each one in Divine presence, and invoke Thy blessing upon those assembled here. We ask Thee, Almighty God, to look with favor upon those who have gathered together here from the different parts of our good old State in this Association, and wilt Thou bless them in all their deliberations, and may the same redound unto the good and unto the welfare of society. Bless them in all their efforts to protect life and property, and may they know that they are doing a good work and a good service while they are doing the same, and may they have Thy Divine approval upon their efforts. We ask Thee, our God, to enable them to feel in this work that it is an important work, and wilt Thou encourage them in the same, and wilt Thou dispose their brothers and all mankind who are benefitted by their service, to look upon this order with approval, and to give unto it their aid at every time and everywhere.

We ask Thee now, our Heavenly Father, to keep those who have gathered here from their homes, from their families, from their relatives, as the apple of Thine eye. And may they have a pleasant sojourn here in our county and our town; may they be preserved from harm and danger, and return safe and sound to their dear ones at

home. These blessings grant unto this Association of firemen in North Carolina, and unto all who look to Thee as their Savior, and at last when Thou art done with us, and we have served Thy righteous purpose here on earth, save us unto Thyself in Heaven, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

Hon. Thodore F. Kluttz, of Salisbury, made the following Address of Welcome:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the North Carolina State Fireman's Association:

It is a most pleasing duty laid upon me by the partiality of firemen of Salibury to welcome you in their name and in the name of all our people, to the freedom and hospitality of our good old town. And who has a better right to command welcome, to enjoy hospitality, than the firemen of our State? Who is more entitled to our respect, our thanks, our gratitude? To whom do we look with more confidence in hours of danger? When the black air of night is illumined with the fires of a great conflagration, when men's hearts fail them for fear, when the accumulations of years are being destroyed, when flames are leaping heavenward, when walls are toppling, when lives are endangered, when household destruction is threatened, is it not the fearless heroic fireman who is our stay and hope and protection?

How many brave men have gone down in death of flame, in discharge of duty, in effort to save the life of others. How many millions, nay, thousands of millions, of property have been saved by the heroism, the dauntless courage of the firemen?

In every cemetary in every great city there stand stately monuments commemorative of the unselfish life, the heroic death of martyred firemen.

Stand with me in the streets of a great city, when whirlwinds of tempestuous fire are devouring the tallest buildings—access to the highest stories cut off, walls toppling, floors falling in, all inmates thought to be saved, when at an upper window near the sky appears the blanched face of a little child, when a feeling of horror and hopeless helplessness goes over that vast crowd. But hark! with rope fastened to his belt, in the face of the fury of the lapping flames, a fireman mounts the ladder to its hight, and then by window, ledge and cornice, he reaches, saves, lowers the helpless babe, descending scorched, blinded, dazed, amid the thunderous applause of the multitude, just in time as the great walls fall inward! Sometimes it is too late, and his soul goes up to his God in flame, a martyr to humanity's call.

Oh, there are heroes other than those of the battlefield; there are martyrs other than those of the auto-da-fe. Contemplating such a

sense, I think that when the accounting angel shall come, in the twilight of eternity, to write upon the white stone of truth the deeds of men, none will stand higher than the brave self-immolating fireman. Beautifully appropriate is the charming little poem of Leigh Hunt :

Abou Ben Adhem (may his tribe increase)
Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace,
And saw within the moonlight in his room,
Making it rich like a lily in bloom,
An angel, writing in a book of gold—
Exceeding peace had made Ben Adhem bold,
And to the presence in the room he said,
"What writest thou?" The vision raised its head,
And with a look made all sweet accord,
Answered : "The names of those who love the Lord."
"And is mine one?" said Abou. "Nay, not so," replied the angel.
Abou spake more low, but cherily still, and said, "I pray thee
Then, write me as one who loves his fellow-men ;"
The angel wrote and vanished. The next night
It came with a great wakening light,
And showed the names of those whom love of God had blessed,
And lo, Ben Adhem's name led all the rest !

But I must not detain you longer. We are glad to have you with us. We welcome you most heartily. We promise ourselves much pleasure and profit from your visit.

It is to an old town with many historic memories, with much of local interest, to which you come. Washington, Jackson, Cornwallis, Tryon, Tarleton, Boone, Gates, Greene, Davis. have walked its streets before you. Eleven thousand seven hundred Federal dead sleeping their last sleep in our beautiful cemetery, that silent city of the dead, speak sadly and eloquently of the unfortunate civil war which swept through our streets and through our country.

Our mills, our water works, our fire department, our railway shops, our growing improvements, tell the tale of modern progress. Our churches, our schools, our beautiful homes, tell the story of a happy, a cultured, a Christian people.

We are your servants while you are with us, and when your stay is ended and when you return to your homes, we trust that it may be to find your loved ones well and happy.

Again, and yet again, gentlemen of the Association, we bid you thrice welcome.

RESPONSE.

President James D. McNeill then responded to the address of Welcome in the following words :

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen :

In behalf, sir, of the Association of Firemen of North Carolina, I thank you, for your kind words and your generous welcome. I trust sir, that our deportment, while we are the guest of your city will be

such that you will regret our departure as much as you seem to appreciate our arrival. (Applause) We are come, sir, from all sections of our grand old commonwealth, to come together in an Annual Convention, to renew past friendships, to exchange ideas upon matters connected with the service as firemen, and to transact all necessary business that is proper to look after and care for our organization.

At the same time, sir, we engage in friendly rivalry in our contests, each department being anxious to assert its superiority over its rivals. In accordance with our custom, the first day is always devoted strictly to business. The Convention's doors are open, and we cordially invite all the citizens of Salisbury to attend its meetings.

Our Tournament, I know will please you, will please your people, and I am badly mistaken if our presence here on this occasion does not prove really the beginning of the Salisbury Fire Department. (Applause).

Again, sir, I thank you for your kind hospitality so generously extended. We appreciate it, sir, as firemen; we appreciate it as citizens of North Carolina; we appreciate it as gentlemen. I hope, sir, that we may merit it.

The President appointed a Committee of three on Credentials, consisting of M. V. B. Capps, W. C. Von Glahn, J. L. Boger, and the delegates were requested to hand in their credentials.

The Chair was asked whether or not proxies were to be allowed. Treasurer Green thought they ought to be allowed, and that if a man was the only delegate present, and his company was entitled to two or three votes, he ought to be entitled to the same number of votes.

The Chair ruled that the proxies be allowed.

Reading minutes last meeting.

Mr. Amerson moved that the proceedings of the preceding meeting be adopted as printed. The motion was carried.

Collection of dues.

Secretary Griffith reported that all the dues had been paid up in full to January 1, 1897.

Moved that the Convention adjourn till 2:30 o'clock. The motion was carried, and a recess taken until half past two.

JAS. D. MCNEILL, President.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention was called to order by the President at 2:30 o'clock.

Reports of officers and committees called for.

The report of the President being first in order, it was read and on motion was received by the Convention and ordered printed on the minutes.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Aug. 19th. 1896

To the Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association :

GENTLEMEN :—I hand you herewith my report, as president of your honorable body, covering the transactions financial and otherwise, for the past fiscal year.

In the discharge of my duties, which have chiefly consisted in the auditing and proper adjustment of claims from sick and injured members, against our Relief Fund, I have endeavored to the very best of my ability to render absolute justice to all claimants and to the Association. Quite a number of applications have been sent in to me, in such an unsatisfactory shape as to render much correspondence necessary, in order to have the claim in proper condition. I am gratified to be able to report, however, all claims fairly, equitably and satisfactorily settled, and a handsome balance in our Treasurer's hands, to whose report I refer you as to particulars.

Under my construction of Section No. 5 of the act creating the Relief Fund, I have approved and ordered paid, several small claims that have evoked some opposition from our worthy Secretary. My construction, however, is in accordance with the views of the Association, as expressed at Winston, as per Proceedings, page 47 of the Executive Committee and of the Attorney-General of the State, and is also based upon the common-sense view of the case. I only refer to the matter in this report, in order that my construction may be made a *matter of record* to guide my successors and to prevent further misunderstanding. In other words, I have always held that any fireman while under orders, on duty with his company, either as delegate, on practice or parade, if injured, was as much entitled to relief as though he was on duty *at a fire*, and further, that his case is fully covered by the concluding sentence of Section No. 5.

In my last report to you for the year 1895, I called attention to the fact that our revenue was insufficient to meet our necessary expendi-

tures, that our indebtedness was annually increasing, and I further insisted that some means be taken to meet the deficiency. After full discussion you left the matter to the Executive Committee, with full power to act. In accordance with this authority, I called the Executive Committee together on March 4th, at Fayetteville, and we decided, after submitting the case to competent legal authority, that the Relief Fund should properly be taxed with its own care and maintenance, by charging up to *it* the salary of our Treasurer, thus relieving our General Fund of that amount. This about equaled the amount of our deficiency for the past two years, and I now think that with a reasonable economy, we will be able to make both ends meet, without placing any additional burden upon our individual membership.

It is a source of much gratification that I can report an ever increasing interest in Assosiation matters by the firemen from all over the State, and I feel assured that it is now but a short time before every organized company in the State will be members of the Association.

Notwithstanding the fact that the newspapers are almost daily reporting the loss of life or limb of some brave fireman, who has offered himself a sacrifice in the line of his duty, still I am thankful that I have no loss of life, nor permanent disability to report from our membership. In pursuance of instructions, I gave the necessary credentials to our representatives to the International Association meeting. I refer you to their reports.

I would earnestly recommend a careful revision of our Tournament rules. I trust this matter will receive full attention *at this meeting*, so as to avoid any repetition of the complications that we had at Newbern last year. Rivalry and earnest competition is much to be commended, but when through misconception or misconstruction of rules, any bitterness or hard feeling is engendered, it is to be equally regretted. Let us make our rules so plain that they cannot be misconstrued

I desire to extend to the chiefs of departments with whom it has been necessary for me to consult on business matters and to the full Executive Committee, including our Secretary and Treasurer, my thanks and the thanks of the Association for their assistance, co-operation and advice on all matters submitted to them for their consideration.

In conclusion, my comrades, I desire to earnestly thank you for the high honor that you have conferred upon me by twice electing me as president of your Association. I have tried to do my duty and have allowed nothing to go undone that I thought the interest of the Association required me to do. I can assure my successor that whatever honors he may have had, or will hereafter have conferred upon him, that there are none that can carry with them any conception higher or greater than to be the chosen head of an organization of men,

whose lives are devoted to the execution of duties, that often require them to sacrifice their own lives in the rescue and defence of others. Congratulating you upon the full attendance at this, our Eighth Annual Meeting, and at the prospect of an entertaining and instructive Tournament.

With the highest hopes for the future success of our Association, I am,

Yours,

JAS. D. MCNEILL, *President.*

The President said :

I would like to have it well understood that the acceptance of this report, fixes beyond question the action of this Convention two years ago on the construction of Section No. 5. The acceptance of this report fixes that as the policy of this Association. It is an important matter.

Mr. Green suggested that Section No. 5 be read, and Article 3, Section 5 in the By-Laws was read.

Chief Newman said :

I would like to ask in regard to what is meant by the officer in charge. Is it any officer, or will it have to be the Chief?

President McNeill said :

I suppose as a matter of course that it means the officer in charge. It may mean a Fireman, Captain, Chief, or Assistant Chief.

Mr. Heartt said :

How about this. If a Fireman on duty for the Tournament and gets hurt, how would you construe that?

The President said :

I have construed it that any injury to a Fireman while performing duties connected with the fire department is covered by that section.

The Report of the Secretary being next in order, was read by the Secretary.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

GREENSBORO, N. C., Aug 18th, 1896.

To the Officers and Members of The North Carolina State Firemen's Association :

GENTLEMEN :—For the sixth time it becomes my duty to report to you the condition of the affairs of the Associationat this, the end of the eighth year of our organization.

During the year, in some sections of the State, a great deal of interest has been kept up in fire matters, while in others there has been none at all manifested until the programme for our meeting was sent out. This seemed to inspire all, and we see before us new faces who have come to mingle with us to show their appreciation of the work the Association is doing.

I have enrolled two new Companies, viz :

July 18th 1896, West End Hose Co. No. 5, Greensboro, nine men.

August 18th 1896, Hose Co. No, 2, Durham, fourteen men.

We now have thirty-four Companies enrolled for the year, with seventeen Chiefs, nine Assistant Chiefs, one Department not reporting any Chief and Assistant, and eight more no Assistant Chiefs. The total membership to date, being 636, an increase over my last report of seventy-one. Every company has paid their dues in full to January 1, 1897. I am proud of this, as it is the first time in the history of the Association, that such has been the case. When we consider the closeness of money matters for the past year, it shows that the men who compose the respective companies appreciate their Associaciation and propose to maintain it. I have received the following amounts :

Amount received from Dues	$349.50
Amount received from "adv." in proceedings for 1896	40.00
Amount received from Relief Fund	285.00
Amount of balance collected	14.77
Total	$689.27

Outstanding accounts :

T. A. Green to balance on salary for 1896	$100.00
Reece & Elam, printing badges, etc.	———
Ben. T. Amerson, Statistician, salary for 1896	———
Postage, etc.	———

Have issued twenty-two warrants on the General Fund to the amount of $595.00 as follows :

Aug. 21, 1895,	No. 21 to J. W. Griffith, Sec, for Postage	$ 10.00
Aug. 24,	No. 22 to Miss Rachel C. Brown, Newbern, Stenographer	10.00
Nov. 23,	No. 23 to James D. McNeill, President National Association dues	10.00
Dec. 10,	No. 24, to J. W. Griffith, Sec. for Postage . . .	10.00
" 30,	No. 25, to J. W. Griffith, Sec. for Postage . . .	5.00
Feb. 19, 1896,	No. 26, to Reece & Elam, Printing	75.00
Feb. 19,	No. 27, to James D. McNeill, Pres. Postage . . .	2.50
Feb. 25,	No. 28, to B. T. Amerson, Statistician	
Feb. 25,	No. 29, to Salary 1895, Postage etc., ...	31.10
	to T. A. Green, Treas. salary 1885 . . .	37.50
Mar. 14,	No. 30, to Reece & Elam, Bal. on Printing. . .	70.00
Mar. 14,	No. 31, to J. W. Griffith, Sec. Salary for first half year	100.00
Mar. 16,	No. 32, to J. W. Griffith, Sec., Postage	5.00
Apr. 8,	No. 33, to T. A. Green, Miscellaneous Expense Account	11.30
Apr. 8,	No. 34, to F. H. Vogler, Vice-President	13.40
Apr. 8,	No. 35, to B. T. Amerson, Statistician	15.95
Apr. 8,	No. 36, to J. W Griffith, Sec., ...	14.00
Apr. 8,	No. 37, to Jas. D. McNeill, Prest..	11.75
Apr. 29,	No. 38, to J. W. Griffith, Sec. Salary.	100.00
May 6,	No. 39, to J. W. Griffith, Sec. Postage	5.00
July 17,	No. 40, to T. A. Green , Treas. Salary	50.00
July 21,	No. 41, to Henry A. Hills, Sec. dues for 1896 to International Association	5.00
July 24,	No. 42, to J. W. Griffith, Sec., Postage	2.50
		595.00

Have received thirty-four applications for relief and have issued warrants on the Relief Fund as follows :

Aug. 15, 1895,	No. 30, to Joe Congdon, Newbern, 4 days . . .	8.00
Aug. 24,	No. 31, to Jno. L. Thacker, Greenboro, 6 days .	12.00
Aug. 24,	No. 32, to O. D. Boycott, Greensboro, 11 days .	22.00
Aug. 24,	No. 33, to H. T. Odenbuttle, Wilmingtan, 7 days	14.00
Aug. 28,	No. 34, to R. H. Dye, Fayetteville, 14 days . .	28.00
Sept. 2,	No, 35, to Geo. D. Roberts, Newbern, 7 days . .	14.00
Sept. 6,	No. 39, Mrs. Chas. Lewis, Greensboro	9.16
Oct. 2,	No. 37, to W. B. Gleen, Charlotte, 7 days. . . .	14.00
Oct. 25,	No. 38, to Geo. G. Seyffert, Salisbury, 15 days .	30.00
Nov. 22,	No. 39, to J. L. Eubanks, Durham, 18 days . . .	36.00
Dec. 2,	No. 41, to W. E. Culpepper, Charlotte, 27 days .	54.00
Dec. 26,	No. 42, F. F. Matthews, Newbern, 6 days. . . .	12.00
Dec. 26,	No. 43, W. N. Fowler, Raleigh, 28 days	56.00

Jan. 14,	No. 44, Jas. A. Oldham, Wilmington, 90 days . .	180.00
Jan. 18,	No, 45, to Samuel Faircloth, Salem, 5 days . . .	10.00
Feb. 25,	No. 46, to W. H. Haigh, Fayetteville, 3 days . .	6.00
Feb. 27,	No. 47, to Thos. Polk Monroe, 6 days	12.00
Feb. 29,	No. 48, to W. B. Glenn, Charlotte, 8 days . . .	16.00
Mar. 4,	No 49, to Jno. A. King, Goldsboro, 5½ days . .	11.00
Mar. 4,	No. 50, to H. L. Foard, Winston, 20 days	40.00
Mar. 11,	No. 51, to T. A. Green, Treasurer, Newberne . .	35.00
Mar. 11,	No. 52, to T. A. Green, Treasurer, Newbern . .	125.00
Mar. 11,	No. 53, to T. A. Green, Treasurer, Newbern . .	125.00
Mar. 16,	No. 54, to Jas. W. Strange, Fayetteville, 4 days .	8.00
Mar. 23,	No. 55, to Mrs. Jno. W. Fink, Concord, ...	300.00
May 8,	No. 56, to C. C. Thornton, Newbern, 14 days . .	28.00
May 8,	No. 57, to Jno. B. Richardson, Newbern, 14 days	28.00
May 26,	No. 58, to R. E Smith, Goldsboro, 10 days . . .	20.00
June 18,	No. 59, to J. P. Congden, Newbern, 25 days . .	50.00
June 18,	No. 60, to Robert C. Platt, Wilmington, 9 days .	18.00
June 18,	No. 61, to W. Shipe, Asheville, 16 days	32.00
June 30,	No. 62, to A. C. Pearsall, Goldsboro, 6 days . .	12.00
July 28,	No. 63, to Chas. M. Jetton, Charlotte, 63 days . .	126.00
Aug. 1,	No. 64, to W. H. Shipe, Asheville, 12 days . . .	24.00
		$1,515.16

Warrant No. 40 was issued by the President to F. V. Snell, Greensboro . . . . . $ 60.00

Total $1,575.16

All printed matter was furnished the President and Statistician and also postage for President's office.

At our last meeting the matter was discussed as to the advisability of the Association sending a Hose Team to Atlanta during Fireman's week, at the Cotton State's Exposition, to enter the contests, as there could be no means provided by which the Association could bear the expense. The matter was dropped. There was two teams in the State that did go, and made records every fireman in North Carolina can feel proud of. I refer to the Atlantic Hose Reel Co., Newbern, and the Greensboro Hose Team. If the Judges had complied strictly with the requirements laid down in the rules to govern the Hose Reel Race, North Carolina would have certainly come away with first prize. But I am sorry to say it was strictly a sectional fight. The Northwest against the North.

I sent out requests to all the Secretaries that if any of their members had died during the year they would please send me the names, only one having been sent in. I presume none others have died. If so, we should feel greatly pleased.

Jno. G. Caukle, Salisbury Fire Department died July 20, 1896.

There are some things connected with the work for the year that might be mentioned in this report but I leave this to the report of the Executive Committee, as the business was transacted and disposed of by that committee.

In closing this report, I wish to thank the officials of the Companies, who have so kindly assisted me during the year, and to the members for their promptness in complying with the rules of the Association. And to the officers of the Association, I am under many obligations for courtesies shown and assistance rendered, and though we may have had differences of opinion, I hope no unkind feeling lingers in the heart of any one of us.

Again thanking the Association for the honors shown me from time to time in the past, my prayer is, that in the future, our deliberations may always be for the good and the advancement of the work that has been begun.

I cannot close this report without calling the attention of the Convention to the businesslike manner in which our President has transacted the business of the Association during the year, and the tenacity with which he clings to what he considers the right.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. GRIFFITH.

Mr. Green said:

I would like to say a word about that money in the report. It was the action of the Executive Committee. After consultation with their attorneys they decided that the Treasurer of the State Relief Fund was entitled to two years' salary to be credited to the general fund, and also for expenses for the year 1895, which is also taxed upon the Relief Fund, and the vouchers were drawn in my name. I wanted to explain that the money does not come to me. It went from one fund to another.

The President said:

I think the Association understands it.

Chief Newman said:

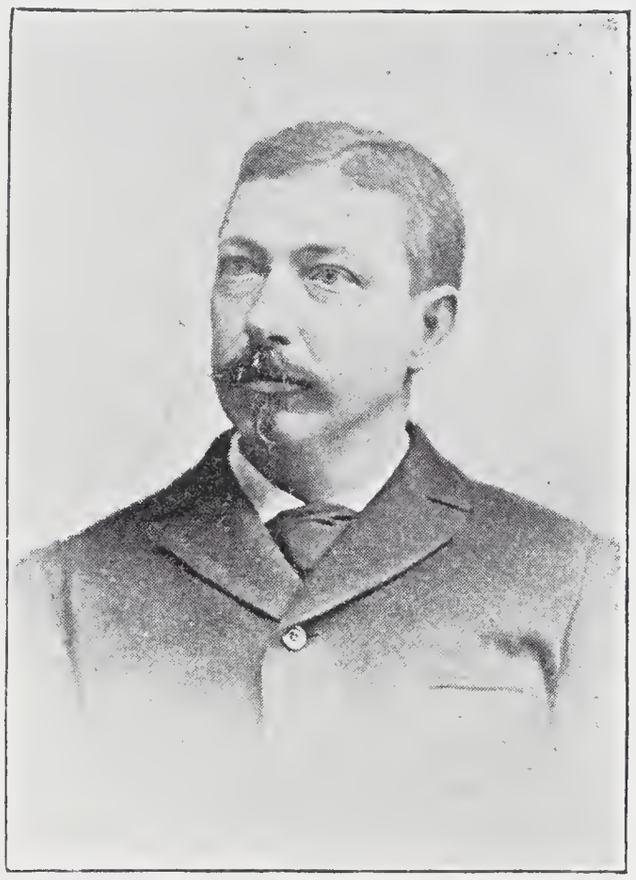
I am mighty glad he made that explanation. I thought it was queer, so I nudged him and asked him about it, and he made that explanation. I am glad he made it.

The President said:

For the benefit of our Treasurer, I would like to explain that last year we had a deficiency. The dues that have been collected, which has been paid out to our Secretary and Treasurer. The Treasurer who has to give bond for eight or ten thousand dollars for that fund, and competent local authority, has shown myself and the Treasurer both,

that it was proper that the maintenance and care of that fund should be taxed to the fund itself; therefore we charged $125 to the fund itself, and $25 to us through our general fund. That accounts for why the check was made payable to him through the Relief Fund. I trust you wiil understand how it is. It is done to keep from increasing the membership fee, and it is perfectly proper and correct that it should be done.

Moved and seconded that the Secretary's Report be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion was carried.



E. G. PARMELEE, 1st Vice-President.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

NEWBERN, N. C., Aug. 17th, 1896.

RELIEF FUND.

1895.		
Aug. 6.	To cash, balance on hand as per last report,	$4,827.50
1896.		
July 25.	To cash, W. H. Worth, State Treasurer, on account, being one-half of Appropriation due November 30th, 1896,	937.50
		$5,765.00

1895.				
Aug. 29.	By cash paid	J. Congdon,	Order No. 30,	$ 8.00
	" "	J. T. Thacker,	" 31,	12 00
	" "	O. D. Boycott,	" 32,	22 00
Sept. 19.	" "	A. T. Oldenbuttle,	" 33,	14.00
	" "	R. H. Doyle,	" 34,	28.00
	" "	G. D. Roberts,	" 35,	14.00
Oct. 14.	" "	Mrs. Charles Lewis,	" 36,	9.16
29.	" "	W. B. Glenn,	" 37,	14.00
Nov. 19.	" "	F. V. Snell,	" 138,	60.00
	" "	G. G. Seyffert,	" 39,	30.00
Dec. 27.	" "	J. L. Eubanks,	" 40,	36.00
	" "	W. E. Culpepper,	" 41,	54.00
1896.				
Jan. 31.	" "	F. T. Matthews,	" 42,	12.00
	" "	W. N. Fowler,	" 43,	56.00
	" "	Jas. A. Oldham,	" 44,	180.00
	" "	Samuel Faircloth,	" 45,	10.00
March 2.	" "	W. H. Haigh,	" 46,	6.00
	" "	Thomas Polk,	" 47,	12.00
	" "	W. B. Glenn,	" 48,	16.00
	" "	John A. King,	" 49,	11.00
	" "	H. L. Foard,	" 50,	40.00
	" "	T. A. Green, printing,	" 51,	35.00
14.	" "	T. A. Green, salary, '95,	" 52.	125.00
	" "	T. A. Green, salary, '96,	" 53,	125 00
24.	" "	J. W. Strange,	" 54,	8.00
31.	" "	Josie Fink,	" 55,	300.00
May 15.	" "	C. C. Thornton,	" 56,	28.00
	" "	John B. Richarson,	" 57,	28.00
June 17.	" "	R. E. Smith,	" 58,	20.00
July 7.	" "	J. B. Congdon,	" 59,	50.00
	" "	R. C. Platt,	" 60,	18.00
	" "	W. H. Snipe,	" 61,	32.00

Aug. 1.	"	"	A. C. Pearsall,	"	62,	12.00
2.	"	"	Chas. M. Jetton,	"	63,	126.00
	"	"	W. H. Shipe,	"	64,	24.00
						$1,575.16
To cash, balance on hand,						$4,189.84
						$5,765.00

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. GREEN, *Treasurer.*

GENERAL FUND.

1895.		
Aug. 6.	To balance cash on hand as per last report,	$ 13.80
8.	To cash received of J. W. Griffith, Secretary,	16.95
29.	" " " "	9.30
Dec. 4.	" " " "	68.00
1896.		
Jan. 2.	" " " "	53.50
8.	" " " "	57.00
18.	" " " "	66.38
29.	" " " "	45.00
Feb 21.	" " " "	57.70
Mch 14.	" " " "	285.00
24.	" " " "	42.50
May 24.	" " " "	22.00
July 7.	" " " "	29.00
		$706.21

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1895.						
Aug. 29.	By cash paid		J W. Griffith,	Voucher No.	21,	$ 10.00
31.	"	"	R. C. Brown,	"	22,	10.00
Dec. 17.	"	"	J. W. Griffith,	"	24,	10.00
1896.						
Jan. 18.	"	"	T. A. Green,	"	19,	37.50
	"	"	J. W. Griffith,	"	20,	50.00
31.	"	"	J. D. McNeill,	"	23.	10.00
Mch 31.	"	"	Reece & Elam,	"	26,	75.00
Jan. 31.	"	"	J. W. Griffith,	"	25.	5.00
Mch 14.	"	"	J. D. McNeill,	"	27,	2 50
	"	"	B. T. Amerson,	"	28,	31.10
24.	"	"	J. W. Griffith,	"	31,	100.00
	"	"	J. W. Griffith,	"	32,	5.00

April 30.	"	"	Reece & Elam,	"	30,	70.00
	"	"	T. A. Green,	"	33,	11.30
	"	"	F. H. Vogler,	"	34,	13.40
	"	"	B. T. Amerson,	"	35,	15.95
	"	"	J. W. Griffith,	"	36,	14.00
May 30.	"	"	J. D. McNeill,	"	37,	11.75
	"	"	J. W. Griffith,	"	38,	100.00
	"	"	J. W. Griffith,	"	39,	5.00
Aug. 1.	"	"	T. A. Green,	"	40,	50.00
	"	"	J. W. Griffith,	"	42,	2.50
3.	"	"	H. A. Hill, dues,	"	41.	5.00
						$645.00
To balance, cash on hand,						61.21
						$706.21

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. GREEN, *Treasurer.*

CITIZENS BANK OF NEWBERN.

NEWBERN, N. C., Aug. 17th, 1896.

This is to certify that T. A. Green, Treasurer, has on deposit in this bank, to the credit of the Relief Fund, Firemen's Association, Forty-one Hundred and Eighty-nine and Eighty-four One Hundred ($4,189.84) Dollars, and to the credit of the General Fund, $61.21.

H. M. GROVES, *Cashier.*

Chief Newman said:

I see from the Secretary's report that the President issued one of the warrants from the Relief fund. I wish to ask for information if it was not the duty of the Secretary to issue whatever warrants that are ordered by the President?

The President said:

The Chair could not answer that in but one way, and that is in the affirmative, and I think the Secretary and I agree in that case. If it is the wish of the Convention, I can explain the whole matter in a few words. The transaction is this: The claimant was F. V. Snell, of Greensboro. He was hurt in a collision going to the last convention at Newbern. His foreman, his chief, his physician, all stated that he was totally disabled for thirty days, and that he was entitled to thirty days' dues. His application was absolutely regular. To make matters certain I wrote a personal letter to his chief. His reply is attached to the application. I wrote a letter to his foreman, and his reply is attached to the application. Still not being satisfied, I consulted my business attorney, and he advised me to order it paid. In a little

correspondence with my friend Griffith, we dragged the Attorney-General of State, F. I. Osborne, into it. He advised me to pay it, and I issued the warrant. Dr. Griffith differed with me honestly. He was as honest in his opinion as I was in mine. We were both honest and trying to do right. I am satisfied of that. And believing that Mr. Snell was entitled to that money, and backed by his chief, foreman, physician and attorney, I ordered the money paid and he received it. That explains the matter. Though Mr. Griffith and I differed, yet I am perfectly satisfied that he was as honest as I was. His construction of Sections 5 and 9 is different. I hold, as my report has explained, that a fireman does not have to be actually drawing water and actually putting out fire to come under protection of Section 5. To answer Chief Newman's question: I say that whether President, Secretary, or any other official, I deem it the duty of the Secretary to issue a warrant upon the order of the President. Why? Because it is the rule, and your laws state that money shall be paid only upon warrant of the President. It states nowhere that it is necessary for it to come from the Secretary, except for the general routine of checking up. Mr. Griffith checks against the President, the President checks against him, and we all three check against each other. It is a good system that cannot be misapplied. That explains the $60 difference between the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer, and my action in the matter.

Secretary Griffith said:

It becomes necessary for me to make an explanation, I suppose. When this matter came up and the application was made, I sent it to the President, and, as he says, our individual opinion of Section No. 5 is different. But to be sure that I was right, and to have my opinion backed up by counsel, I went to two of the leading attorneys of our place. One is now living, and the other is dead. One is the man who drew up the bill creating the fund which we work under, Judge Schenck. The other was Judge Dillard, at one time on the Supreme Court bench. I took it to them and did not explain anything about it. I said that I wanted their opinion. He went on to say that his opinion was, that a man in the fire service was not entitled to benefits unless he was in actual service from the time of the ringing of the bell to the dismissal of the company. I took it to Judge Schenck and he told me the same thing. When I received the letter from the President to issue the warrant, I said that I differed with him, that I thought I was right, and then I asked these attorneys if I would be compelled to sign the warrant. They thought not, and I based my actions entirely upon counsel that I took and paid for.

Chief Newman said:

I think, under the circumstances, that Mr. Griffith was nothing more than a clerk under you, and if you wanted anything done, it was his

business to do it. I don't think, if he thought one way or another, it had anything to do with what you wanted. If you wanted the warrant issued, it was his business to do it.

The President read the Section referred to.

Moved and carried that the Treasurer's report be adopted and printed.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Your Executive Committee was called by the President to meet at LaFayette Hotel, Fayetteville, March 4, 1896, all the members of the Committee being present but 2d Vice-President Vogler.

Chairman McNeill stated the object of the meeting to be, to devise ways and means by which the indebtedness of the Association, which now demanded attention and was accumulating more rapidly than funds were coming in, could be liquidated.

After examining the books of the Secretary and ascertaining what had been received up to that date, and judging from the past what might be expected yet to come in, it was found that something must be done to meet the deficiency; that nearly all the dues had been paid up to January 1, 1897, and there was an indebtedness of the past two years unpaid.

After discussing the different methods suggested, it was decided that the Relief Fund should bear the burden and expense incurred in handling that fund, instead of the General Fund of the Association. The President and Treasurer were instructed to consult counsel and ascertain if the law would allow of such. It was learned that such should be the case. The Secretary was instructed to draw vouchers on the Relief Fund for amount heretofore expended for the proper distribution of this fund from the time the office of Treasurer was made a distinct office, which amount was $285.00. This placed to the credit of the General Fund, give us sufficient to meet the deficiency and pay up to this time, with some little remaining. There being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

Every member of the Committee felt well repaid for the time taken from his business to attend this meeting. The royal reception of President McNeill and the kind attention from the firemen, made it pleasant to every one. The chief and firemen of Fayetteville are wide awake, good citizens, and we bespeak a good time when the Association decides to meet with this people.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

SALISBURY, August 19, 1896.

The regular annual meeting of your Executive Committee was called to order by Chairman McNeill.

On motion, the Minutes of last meeting held at Fayetteville, March 4, 1896, were adopted as read.

Notice was given of changes to be asked for in Article III, Section 1, of our By-Laws.

Chief Bradsher appeared before the Committee and stated that his Assistant Chief, H. E. Heartt, had been hurt at a fire, and he had made application for benefits from the Relief Fund, and that the same be allowed by the Committee.

The Committee decided to refer the matter to this Convention for their instruction in the matter.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Secretary said :

I would state that Mr. Heartt sent in an application for benefits some time ago, and the President held it up. It is an understanding between the President and myself, that when an application comes in for a benefit, I write on the margin, "Write if his name appears on the list of that Company, if his dues are paid up, and all the circumstances connected with it." I found on referring to my book, that in 1893 while Mr. Green was President, the law is now and was construed at that time, that the dues must be paid in advance by January, and his dues not having been paid up to that time, his name was dropped for non payment of dues.

President said :

In the Report of the Executive Committee there was a motion made that an amendment would be asked for to Section I of Article 3. That was done on recommendation of some of the members of the Association, and I would like to add that I think it is right and proper. To make plain what the object is : Mr. Taylor has the matter in charge. Under our present laws a man must be totallay disabled, able to testify that he has been kept from his regular business, before he can draw his $2 a day. There has come to be put before you for discussion a change in your rules, so that a man can draw not the full $2 a day, but a pro rata portion of it, if he is seriously injured. To make it plain : for instance, a man got badly hurt some time ago, but being a lawyer, and being hurt in his knees, he could still sit in his office and patiently attend to his business. But his physician's fees may be $10 or $15. We want if possible to change this so that it will pay the physician's fee. I have no suggestions to make, that will be for discussion. The case of Mr. Heartt is a peculiar one. He was badly hurt at a fire. He is Assistant Chief of the Durham Fire Department. For some reason or other that he cannot explain, because he says he

thought it had been attended to, his dues for 1893–'94 were not paid, and the Secretary dropped his name from the roll. He was hurt in 1896. His application comes in. One of our rules was "The annual dues shall be paid before the 1st of January, and upon failure to comply, shall thereupon cease to be members of the Association." The question is now, is he entitled to benefit? There is no question that he is a fireman, and a good one, and that he has been injured while doing his duty. The only question is the fact that he is behind in his dues, does that debar him?

Chief Newman said:

I would like to ask why his dues were not paid?

Mr. Heartt said:

I was under the impression that my dues had been paid.

Chief Culpepper said:

In regard to this matter of dues, benefits, etc. Is every member of a Company that is a member of the State Fireman's Association entitled to benefits, whether or not he pays 50 cents to become a beneficiary?

The President said:

This Association is an Association of Companies. Each Company pays $5 initiation (?) fee. The Company then pays a per capita tax of 50 cents a head. To make it plain, suppose that you have a membership of twenty in your Company, and only ten want to take advantage of the benefit. You can send in $5, which will be ten names, and designate these ten. The other ten are not entitled to any benefits from relief fund.

Mr. Boger said:

Isn't that appropriated by the State for disabled firemen, subject to the rules as laid down in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Firemen's Association?

The President said:

I will read it for you, see Act Legislature, Bill creating Firemen's Relief Fund.

The Legislative Committee had no report to make.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Michie of Durham said :

MR PRESIDENT. The Secretary of our Company has some letters we have gotten from different Companies in regad to future legislation, but he is not in the house now. I expect him back in a few minutes. I will state that it was an effort on our part to get freedom from jury duty and poll tax for volunteer firemen after a number of year's service. There are some towns that exempt volunteer firemen from such duties. We have been corresponding with the Fire Department of New York, but we have not had as much definite information yet as we want, but we want to bring the matter before the Convention. I think we ought to have the Legislative Committee to get up a proper bill and carry it before the Legislature. I think every member of the Association has thought that this was right. It is something we ought to be entitled to, and if our Secretary comes back, we will have a part of the corresponpence read,

Mr. Newman said :

About two years ago, I went up to the Legislature myself with two other gentlemen, and we had a bill passed in the lower House exempting firemen from city poll tax. I gave it to a Republican in the Senate, who put it in his pocket, and I guess it fell through somewhere. He told me that he had it passed, but when he came home, he said he *thought* it had passed. But it hadn't !

The President said :

As President of the Legislative Committee, I thought the bill had passed the House and somehow got lost in the Senate. It was in charge of Mr. M——— and Mr. French, assisted by a colored representative from Vance County. The combination put it through all right.

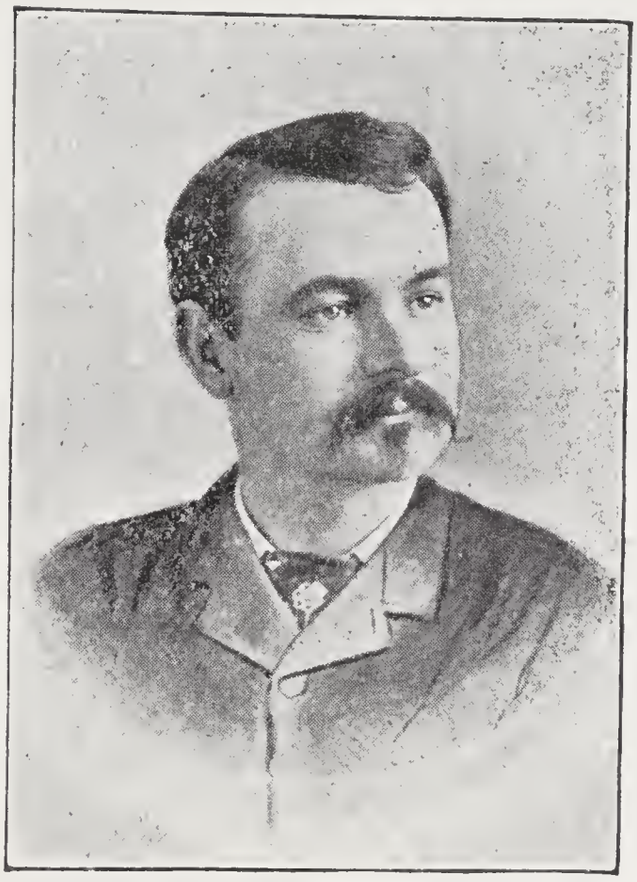
Mr. Michie said :

I have the promise of a law firm of Durham that they will draw up the bill. They have offered to draw up this bill, and if the committee is appointed, with the chairman of the committee in this matter in our Company, we will agree to bring the matter up and present it to the committeee without expense.

The President suggested that this would come up under the head of unfinished business.

The following resolution was offered :

WHEREAS, J. A. Lambert, of Atlanta, Ga., having made sundry promises while in Newbern, and failing to comply with the same, we,



Dr. J. W. Griffith, 2d Vice-President.

the Association, now in meeting assembled, by motion, order that his name be erased from the honorary roll of this Association, and that the Secretary be requested to notify him of the same.

The motion was carried.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That no one shall serve as a judge in any of the contests who is *not* a resident of the State of North Carolina, and who is a resident of the town represented by a Company or Team taking part in the contests.

The President said:

In the absence of coming from any one else, I will say that Rule III Section 1, says: "The Captain of the competing teams shall select Judges and Time-Keepers, at each Annual Tournament, who shall decide each and every contest which takes place at said Tournament, and no Judges shall be from towns which are represented by any teams."

Why not add after the resolution, "And the decision of these Judges shall be final," and eradicate altogether, Section 2.

Mr. Green said:

On this Section 3, "And no Judges shall be from towns which are represented by any Teams." I think Brother VonGlahn, said that ought to be struck out. Suppose Teams come here from a dozen different towns. Where would we get Judges? I can't see to save my life if I am here, and that gentleman here is running a team, what objection he could have to appoint a Judge from Charlotte or Newbern or Salisbury.

The President said:

I think it is a very good law. I don't think there is any gentlemen here who would like to act as Judge if there is a Team from his place. I think that it is a proper law. To make it plain, here are these Teams here in the contest from Charlotte, Durham, Winston, Salisbury, Greensboro and Concord. It means this: None of the Judges must come from these six towns; they must come from a town independent of these. It would not be fair to have a Judge from Concord selected by a Durham Team. He could still work in favor of the other team. The rule is that no Judge shall come from a town from which Teams came. The time will never come when every town in the State will have a Team. I hope it will. The Chair thinks the rule is a good one.

Mr. Stone said :

I would like to suggest that it has been the rule heretofore to have three Judges, I believe on all the races. I don't think that three are sufficient. If you will remember, we had considerable trouble in Newberne over the races there. I think we ought to have five or six Judges stationed all along the line, and they ought to settle this matter among themselves and not take outside say-soes from everybody about these matters. I think too, that the five or six Judges appointed ought to be Judges for the entire races, everything, championship, contest and all. We have officers of this Association who preside over its meetings, and we don't have a separate set for every piece of business I think the Judges ought to be the same way, and that it is not necessary to have different ones for each race. That is my idea.

Mr. President said :

The championship race is the only race in which this Association appoints the Judges. In all the others, each Team selects its own.

Mr. Stone said :

That is what I wanted to get rid of I think, sir, that this Association should limit the number, and that the judges selected should be judges throughout.

The President said :

The motion is this: That we finish Section 1 by adding, "And the decision of these judges shall be final," and eliminate Section 2 altogether.

The motion was carried.

Mr. VonGlahn said :

I am requested by the Howard Relief Fire Engine Company to offer this: "That all the companies taking part in any of the contests wherein hose is used, be and they are all hereby required to use the same kind of hose, either linen or rubber."

Mr. Heartt said :

I don't believe that there is enough rubber hose in town to have a contest.

Chief Culpeper said :

I think that in this hose business each company ought to be allowed to use the kind of hose it pleases. If one company chooses to use rubber hose, if there are half a dozen competing teams, each one has a right to use it too. I think it ought to be optional with the different companies. I don't think the Association has a right in this contest to say what hose any team shall use.

Mr. Green said :

Suppose there comes a dozen different teams from different parts of the State. They come here and you adopt a certain hose for them to use, and they have all got a different hose. I think every team would prefer to use its own hose, because he understands it better. A man always understands his own hose better than any other man. Now if he gets the drop of them, and gets the Association to adopt his hose, it would be unfair to make the other companies use a hose they are unaccustomed to.

Mr. Bradsher said :

To understand the matter fully, suppose a man comes here from Greensboro with cotton hose and wishes to enter the contest. They come into this contest by weight, if I am not mistaken. [President reads rule] That was the point I wanted to understand. Suppose we were to come up here with single jacket hose and wanted to enter the contest, would there be any conflict for us to enter with single hose in the 150 yard race or the grab race or any other race in case we wished to enter in that way ?

Mr. Taylor said :

The judges would weigh you and make the weight the same.

Moved that the resolution be laid on the table.

Mr. Greschen said :

I don't think it is fair for one company to use one kind of hose and another another kind. Every gentleman will understand me, or all firemen will understand that you can force water much quicker through rubber than linen hose, and therefore we thought that all companies should be treated alike and use either rubber or linen hose.

The motion was laid on the table.

Mr. Stone said :

There is one question I wanted to bring before the Association. In Durham some of the companies brought two complete teams, and they ran one team in the long race, and then in the grab race put in fresh men. I don't think it ought to be allowed. Only the men whom they register and put on the list should be allowed to compete in any of the others.

The rules on this read as follows :

The names of the contestants in each team, and the names of not more than four substitutes in each team, must be handed to the Secretary of the Association prior to the contest, and such list must be

accompanied by certificate from the Foreman and Secretary of the Company to which the team belongs that such parties are actual members of thirty days' standing in said Company.

Mr. Stone said :

These people were shrewd enough not to enter for each race.

Mr. Heartt said :

If you have a race to run for 150 yards, that has nothing to do with the 300 yard race. That is a different race.

Mr. Capps said :

If we come here with sixteen men and put these same men in every race, and another company comes in and puts fresh men in each race, that is not fair at all.

Mr. Bradsher said :

Do I understand that a man has to bring a certain number of men up here to enter the grab race, a certain number to enter the 150 yard race, and also for the other races, by Brother Stone's remarks?

Mr. Stone said :

My idea is this: To make out a list of your men and give it to the Secretary. Suppose you have fifteen men more than you put down, and then when another race comes on you go to the Secretary and give him a new list of fresh men. Is that treating the other Companies fair? The same men should contest in each race.

Mr. Bradsher said :

I would like to understand this. The rule was that we are only allowed sixteen men and a foreman in the hose race. But suppose a team has eighteen men in it, and they hand in a notice to the Secretary that there are eighteen men on the list Do I understand Chief Stone to mean that he has got to pick sixteen men out of his eighteen, and they have got to run all three races?

The President said :

You are allowed sixteen names and four substitutes. You can make up your men out of these twenty names.

Mr. Bradsher said :

I don't see why, if you allow them four substitutes, they couldn't put in four fresh men in every new race, and let the other four rest.

The President said :

I will explain why that is put that way. Suppose that in your first race you get four men hurt. Suppose anything happens to you or

some of your men. You must have some one to take the places of the hurt men, therefore the figures were put sixteen men and four substitutes allowed.

Mr. Stone said:

It is the understanding of every organization that a substitute is to take the place of only a disabled man.

Mr. Capps said:

There is a vast difference between a disabled man and one that is merely fagged out. They come in in the next race and bring in a fresh man. That is what we want to do away with. When sixteen enter the first race, that sixteen ought to be compelled to finish the entire race. I don't care if there are three races. If a man is simply fagged out, I don't think it is fair to bring in another man.

Complaint was made that heretofore when the races were on, it has been impossible to keep the crowd off the track, and asking if some way could not be devised by which the track could be kept clear.

Moved, seconded and carried, that every captain of every competing team instruct their men not to start until everybody is cleared off the track, excepting, of course, the judges, time-keepers and policemen.

Moved that the Chief of the Fire Department be requested to ask his engineer to pump in the stand-pipe all the time the races are going on. Just give stand-pipe pressure.

The motion was carried.

The Finance Committee made the following report:

SALISBURY, August 19, 1896.

To the President and Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

GENTLEMEN—The Finance Committee have examined the books of your Treasurer, Mr. T. A. Green, and find them all correct.

Also the books of your Secretary, Dr. J. W. Griffith, and find that, with the exception of Warrant drawn by President McNeill for $60 00, on T. A. Green, Treasurer, numbered 38 and dated November 13, 1895, for sick benefit to F. V. Schnell and paid by Treasurer, they are correct.

We, your Finance Committee, do recommend that the Secretary be instructed to charge said Warrant No. 38, for $60.00, on his books, so that his balance may accord with the balance on the Treasurer's book.

And do further recommend that typographical error of 10 cents in balance of Treasurer's report of 1895, on page 63, printed proceedings, be corrected so as to balance said report.

Report of Treasurer, with certified certificate of deposit of balance due Association in Citizens' Bank, attached.

M. V. B. Capps, Chm'n,
J. Roddick,
J. R. Donnell,
L. J. Taylor,
Tom C. Daniels,
Finance Committee.

Moved and seconded that the President request the entire membership of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association to assemble in the grand-stand to-morrow morning at 8:45 o'clock, to have their photograph taken. Carried.

Mr. Heartt proposed the following amendment:

No one can hold office in this Association who is not an active Fireman.

Moved that the motion be laid on the table. Carried.

Mr. Stone offered the following amendment:

No person shall hold office in this Association unless he is a member of some regular organized Fire Company.

The President said :

I will refer the matter to the Executive Committee, and it will come back to you.

Mr. VonGlahn said :

I would like to bring up this matter as regards the question of change in the total disability clause.

Moved that this matter come before a committee of three appointed by the President, to look into the matter and draw up suitable resolutions. The motion was carried.

The President appointed W. C. VonGlahn, Wm. McCarthy and W. C. Bradsher.

Mr. Stone said:

When I made a substitute to Mr. Heartt's motion, that none but members of a regular organized Fire Company be officers of this Association, I did not mean to debar honorary members at all. I think that they have as much right to hold office as any other. I want to be understood on this point. I think that as this is an Association of Firemen, that Firemen ought to fill these positions.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 8:15 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention was called to order at 8:15 o'clock by the President.

The Statistician made the following report:

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 1st, 1896.

President and Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

GENTLEMEN—Allow me to offer my report for the year ending April 1st, 1896. First, I find in our State about one hundred towns and cities with populations ranging from 500 to 20,000, about fifty of which have organized Fire Departments and about sixty-five Fire Companies, sixteen with water works, eight with electric fire alarm system; and 1,000 white Firemen belonging to organized departments, and 450 colored Firemen. This, together with the reports from Fire Departments and towns, will show about the condition of the State as to fire protection.

ELIZABETH CITY DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Fred. Zeigler; Assistant, Allen Kramer.

One Company (Volunteer).

Albemarle Fire Co., Silsby Engine, 30 men (white); organized 1859; C. E. Kramer, Foreman; John Zeigler, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	2
" Hand Carriages	
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	1
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	1,200
" Feet Cotton Hose	
Total	1,200
Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$3,000
Total	$3.000

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, two cisterns.
No electric fire alarm system.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, no record.

CONCORD DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. L. Boger; Assistant, R. Will Johnstone.

Two Companies (Volunteer).

Hose and Reel Co., Hand Reel, 21 men (white); organized 1886; J. V. Stiller, Foreman; G C. Caldwell, Secretary.

Hook and Ladder Co., Hook and Ladder Truck, 27 men (colored); organized 1886; L. Stockton, Foreman; H. Montgomery, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	1
" Hand Carriages	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	500
" Feet Cotton Hose	1,000
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	1,500

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$2,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	1,120
Total	$3,120

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, direct and gravity pressure; owned by private company.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, 100; domestic, 25.
No electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 2.

STATESVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. M. Lampert; Assistant, ———.

Two Companies.

Statesville Fire Co. No. 1, Steam Engine, 25 men (white); organized ——; Z. D. Cochran, Foreman; E. B. Webster, Secretary.

Defiance Fire Co., Hand Engine, Hook and Ladders, 41 men (colored); organized 1894; John Nurpey, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	2
" Hand Carriages	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	2,000
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	2,000

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$2,500
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	
Total	$2,500

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, seven cisterns; owned by city.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, ——; domestic, ——.
No electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 2.

BEAUFORT DEPARTMENT.

Chief, ———: Assistant, ———.

One Company.

Company No. 1, — men (white); organized 1895; ———, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	1
" Hand Carriages	
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	650
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	650

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 150
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	1,500
Total	$1,650

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, direct and gravity; owned by city.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, ——; domestic, ——.
Have no electric alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 1.

RALEIGH DEPARTMENT.

Chief, L. A. Mahler; Assistant, W. Woolcott.

Four Companies (Volunteer and Paid).

Rescue Co. No. 1, Horse Hose Wagon, 25 men (white); organized ——; R. E. Lumsden, Foreman; W. A. Faucette, Secretary.

Victor Co. No. 2, Two-Horse Hose Reel, — men (colored); organized ——; T. B. Burgess, Foreman; W. H. Palmer, Secretary.

Capital No. 3, Two-Horse Hose Wagon, — men (white); organized ——; W. Woolcott, Foreman; F. Woolcott, Secretary.

Hook and Ladder No. 4, Two-Horse Trucks, — men (white); organized ——; W. W. Parrish, Foreman; J. T. Conell, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	2
" Hand Carriages	
" Two-Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	1
" Two-Horse Hose Wagons	2
" Two-Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	4,000
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	4,000

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	
Total	

Amount of Insurance on property partly destroyed	$9,500
Amount of Loss	1,975

Apparatus not in use, one second-class Gould Steamer; one 2-80 gallon Chemical.

Water works, direct and towers; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 50 to 70; domestic, 50 to 70.

Gamewell electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 29.

CHARLOTTE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, W. E. Culpepper; Assistant, W. B. Glenn.

Three Companies (Volunteer and Paid).

Charlotte No. 1, Steamer, 17 men (white); organized 1866; paid.

Neptune, Hand Engine, 60 men (colored); volunteer.

Dread Not, Hand Engine, 30 men (colored); volunteer.

No. Hand Hose Reels	2
" Carriages	
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	2
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	2,500
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	2,500

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$1,500
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	4,000
Total	$5,500

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, stand pipe; owned by private company.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, 80; domestic 40.
Richmond fire alarm system.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 45.

KINSTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. D. Taylor; Assistant, Geo. B. Webb.

Kinston Fire Co., Silsby Steamer, 75 men (white); organized ——; B. W. Canaday, Foreman; J. L. Hartsfield, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Hand Carriages	2
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	1
" Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	2,000
Total	2,000

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$1,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	4,000
Total	$5,000

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, river and wells; owned by ———.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, ——; domestic, ——.
No electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 0.

LaGRANGE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, ———; Assistant, ———.

Relief Fire Co. No. 1, Hand Pump, 20 men (white); organized 1893; C. P. Bunn, Foreman; —— Hudges, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Hand Carriages	
" Feet Rubber Hose	30
" Feet Cotton Hose	300
Total	330

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 150
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	570
Total	$ 720

Apparatus not in use, none.

Water works, five cisterns; owned by city.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, ——; domestic, ——.

No electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 1.

WARRENTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, ———; Assistant, ———.

One Company.

Plummer Hook and Ladder Co., Hand Pump and Hose Truck, 31 men (colored); organized 1868; John S. Plummer, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	1
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
" Hand Carriages	1
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	500
" Feet Cotton Hose	
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	500

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 500
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	1,200
Total	$1,700

Amount of Insurance on property destroyed . . . . . $ 300
Amount of Loss . . . . . .

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, one cistern; owned by the city.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, ——; domestic, ——.
No fire alarm system.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 8.

SCOTLAND NECK DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Walter Crowell; Assistant, ——.

One Company.

Scotland Neck Fire Co., Hook and Ladder Truck, Buckets and Ladders, 30 men (colored); organized 1891; Walter Crowell, Foreman; ——, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels . . . . . .
" Hand Carriages . . . . . .
" Horse Hose Wagons . . . . . .
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks . . . . . .
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks 1
" Feet Rubber Hose . . . . . .
" Feet Cotton Hose . . . . . .
" Feet Leather Hose . . . . . .

Value of real estate used for fire purposes . . . . . .
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc. . . . . $ 150

Total . . . . . $ 150

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, wells.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, ——; domestic, ——.
No electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 1.

ENFIELD DEPARTMENT.

Chief, T. Meyers; Assistant, John Benton.

Enfield Fire Co, No. 1, Hand Engine, 33 men (white); organized 1885; T. Meyers, Foreman; Samuel Purson, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels 1
" Hand Carriages . . . . . .

No. Feet Rubber Hose	300
" Feet Cotton Hose	
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	300

Value of real estate used for fire purposes . . . . . $
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc. . . . . .

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, direct and gravity pressure; owned by town.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, —— ; domestic, ——.
No electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 5.

DURHAM DEPARTMENT.

Chief, W. C. Bradsher; Assistant, H. E. Heartt.

Three Companies (Volunteer and Paid).

Durham Hose Co. No. 1, Hose Wagon, 20 men (white); organized 1881; L. L. Chamberlain, Foreman; L. C. Oldham, Secretary.

Durham Hose Co. No. 2, Two-Horse Hose Wagon, 18 men (white); C. J. Markham, Foreman; Claud Turner, Secretary.

Excelsior Hook and Ladder Co., 20 men (colored); Fisher Bumpass, Foreman; Joe McAllister, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	2
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	3,000
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	3,000

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$9,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	8,200
Total	$17,200
Amount of Insurance on property destroyed	$3,900
Amount of Loss over and above Insurance	

Apparatus not in use, one 2-Horse Hose Reel and one 1-Horse Hook and Ladder Truck.

Water works, direct and gravity; owned by private company.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, 65; domestic, 65.
Gamewell electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 3.

ASHEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. P. Sawyer; Assistant, H. C. Fagg.

Four Companies (Volunteer).

Rescue Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Two-Horse Truck, 14 men (white); organized 1882; M. H. Kelly, Foreman; H. R. Smith, Secretary.

Hose Co. No. 1, One and Two Horse Reel and Two Hand Reels, 20 men (white); organized 1884: H. C. Fagg, Foreman; L. W. Jeanneret, Secretary.

Hose Co. No. 2, One Hand Reel, 6 men (white); organized 1890; J. H. Woody, Foreman.

Hose Co. No. 3, One Hand Reel, 6 men (white); organized 1890; J. R. Baird, Foreman.

Annexes of No. 1.

No. Hand Hose Reels	4
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	2
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	3,500
" Feet Cotton Hose	850
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	4,350

Amount of Insurance on property destroyed	$16,012
Amount of Loss over and above the Insurance	9,155

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$15,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	5,300
Total	$20,300

Apparatus not in use, one Reel used by Sanitary Department.
Water works, stand-pipe, gravity; owned by city.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, 150; domestic, 75.
Gamewell electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 25.

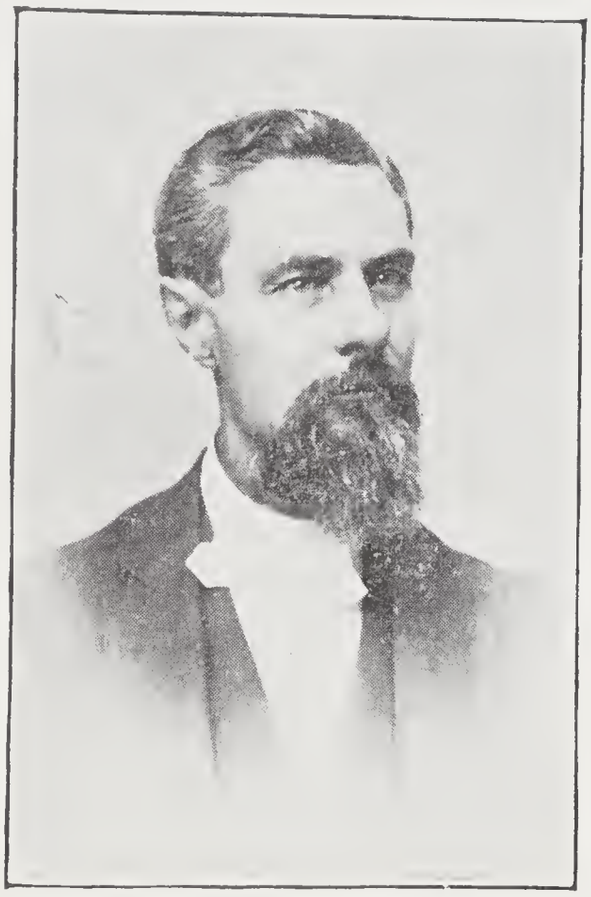
WINSTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, John W Hanes; Assistant, H. L. Reagans.

Four Companies (Volunteer and Paid).

Steamer No. 1, LaFrance Engine, 18 men (white); organized 1879; A. J. Gale, Foreman; B. A. Johnson, Secretary.

Steamer No. 2, LaFrance Engine, 18 men (white); organized 1872; H. L. Reagans, Foreman; W. A. Eyler, Secretary.



T. A. Green, Treasurer.

Hook and Ladder No. 1, Hayes Truck, 16 men (white); organized 1892; P. N. Lybrook, Foreman; Jas. S. Dunn, Secretary.

Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2, Hand Truck, 15 men (colored); organized 1892; Thomas Hairston, Foreman; Sam Hargrove Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	2
" Hand Carriages	1
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	2
" Horse Hose Wagons	2
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	1,800
" Feet Cotton Hose	400
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	2,200

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$25,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	
Total	$25,000

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, gravity; owned by city.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, 75; domestic, 30.
Gamewell electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 8.

SALISBURY DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Geo. G. Seyfert; Assistant, M. V. B. Capps.

Five Companies (Volunteer and Paid).

Pioneer Co., Hand Hose Reel, 8 men (white); organized ——; John Morgan, Foreman; Charles Swink, Secretary.

Independent Co., Hand Hose Reel, 8 men (white); organized 1892; Hought Meroney, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

Junior Co., Hand Hose Reel, 15 men (white); organized ——; Ernest West, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

Athletic Co., 12 men (colored); organized ——; W. Johnson, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

Hook and Ladder Co., Two-Horse Truck, 8 men (white); organized ——; John Clover, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	4
" Hand Carriages	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1

" Feet Rubber Hose	300
" Feet Cotton Hose	1,600
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	1,900

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$1,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	2,150
Total	$3,150

Amount of Insurance on property destroyed	$8,200
Amount of Loss over and above Insurance	

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, direct pressure; owned by private company.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, 100; domestic, 43.
Bell fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 13.

FAYETTEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Jas. D. McNeill; Assistant, John Roddick.

Three Companies (Paid and Volunteer).

Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Silsby Engine, 10 men (white); organized 1885; Jas. D. McNeill, Foreman; W. M. McKethan, Secretary.

Hose Co. No. 1, Hose Reel, 12 men (white); organized 1894; John Roddick, Foreman.

Hose Co. No. 2, Hose Reel, 12 men (white); organized 1894; Carl Ledbetter, Foreman.

No. Hand Hose Reels	3
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	1,500
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	1,500

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$2,500
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	6,000
Total	$8,500

Apparatus not in use, one Hand Engine, one Bucket Truck.

Water works, stand-pipe 209 feet, gravity pressure, direct; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 90; domestic, 90.

No electric fire alarm.

Number of fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 28.

GOLDSBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, W. P. Granger; Assistant, Leopold Cohen.

Four Companies (Volunteer).

Goldsboro Fire Co. No. 1, Hose Wagon, 15 men (white); organized 1882; W. P. Granger, Foreman; T. H. Bain, Secretary.

Eclipse Steam Fire Engine Co., Hose Wagon and Engine, 18 men (white); organized 1886; F. W. Hilker, Foreman; R. D. Holt, Secretary.

Electric Reel Co., Hand Reel, 15 men (white); organized 1893; W. D. Creech, Foreman.

No. Hand Hose Reels	2
" Hand Carriages	
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	1
" Horse Hose Wagons	2
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	300
" Feet Cotton Hose	1,800
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	2,100

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 6,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	10,000
Total	$16,000

Amount of Insurance on property destroyed	$62,000
Amount of Loss	4,700

Apparatus not in use, one Double Tank Chemical Engine, two Hose Reels (reserve) Steamer not used in fires.

Water works, direct and gravity pressure; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 50; domestic, 40.

No electric alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 30.

TARBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, C. B. Mihagan; Assistant, Henry Morris.

Two Companies (Volunteer).

Tarboro Hook and Ladder Co., Hose Reels, 40 men (white); organized in 1873; C. G. Bradley, Foreman; W. O Howard, Secretary.

Nash Hose Reel Co., 38 men (colored); organized 1878; J. H. Dancy, Foreman; J. W. Lloyd, Secretary.

No Hand Hose Reels	3
" Hand Carriages	
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	600
" Feet Cotton Hose	250
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	850

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$10,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	2,000
Total	$12,000

Amount of Insurance on property destroyed	$ 3,850
Amount of Loss	165

Apparatus not in use, none.

Water works, both direct and gravity pressure; owned by city.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 75; domestic, 40.

No electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 7.

WILMINGTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Martin Newman; Assistant, Charles Snibbene.

Six Companies (Volunteer.)

Wilmington Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Silsby Steamer, 40 men (white); organized 1864; W. C. VonGlahn, Foreman; W. C. Craft, Secretary.

Howard Relief Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Button Steamer, 30 men (white); organized 1855; John H. Fuchs, Foreman; J. G. L. Greschen, Secretary.

Cape Fear Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 3, Silsby Steamer, 35 men (colored); organized ——; V. Howe, Foreman; Robert Simmons, Secretary.

Wilmington Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Rumsey Truck, 40 men (white); organized 1847; Robert Northrop, Foreman; ——, Secretary.

Fifth Ward Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Rumsey Truck, 30 men (white); organized 1875; T. J. Gore, Foreman; ——, Secretary.

Phœnix Reel Co., Horse Reel, 30 men (colored); organized 1882; Ed. Brown, Foreman; George Raiford, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	4
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	2
" Feet Rubber Hose	3,500
" Feet Cotton Hose	
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	3,500

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$15,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	25,000
Total	$40,000

Apparatus not in use, one Aeriel Truck.

Water works, direct and gravity pressure; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 100; domestic, 40.

Gamewell electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 108.

NEWBERN DEPARTMENT.

Chief, L. J. Taylor; Assistant, G. J. McSorely.

Two Companies (Volunteer).

Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Engine, Horse and Hand Reels, 36 men (white); organized 1845; W. D. Barrington, Foreman; G. D. Roberts, Secretary.

Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Engine, Horse and Hand Reels, 34 men (white); organized 1865; F. B. Lane, Foreman; W P. Rue, Secretary.

Fourth Ward Hose Reel Co., Hand Reel, 27 men (colored); organized 1894; Alonza Williams, Foreman; Charles Phisic, Secretary.

Fifth Ward Hose Reel Co., Hand Reel, 15 men (white); organized 1894; C. J. McCarthy, Foreman; P. Hassell, Secretary

Rough and Ready Hook and Ladder Co., 28 men (colored); organized 1874; Sam Taylor, Foreman; Charles Kinsey, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	4
" Hand Carriages	2
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	2
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	3,100
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	3,100

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 5,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	10,000
Total	$15,000

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, gravity and direct; owned by private company.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, 70; domestic, 50.
Gamewell electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 36.

GREENSBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. J. Stone; Assistant, A. G. Alexander.

Five Companies (Volunteer).

Greensboro Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, LaFrance Engine, 24 men (white); organized 1847; John Lewis, Foreman; A. G. Alexander, Secretary.

South Side Hose Co. No. 4, Hand Reel, 10 men (white); organized 1892; J. H. Phipps, Foreman; T. A. Glascock, Secretary.

Eagle Hose Co. No. 7, Hand Reel, 25 men (white); organized 1891; H. J. Elam, President; F. N. Taylor, Captain; E. L. Clark, Secretary.

Greensboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Hand Truck, 18 men (white); organized 1890; R. B. Beall, Foreman; C. G. Burton, Secretary.

Excelsior Co. No. 2, Hand Reel, 23 men (colored); organized 1890; John Patterson, Foreman; J. W. Jones, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	4
" Carriages	1
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
" Horse Hose Wagons	1
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	650
" Feet Cotton Hose	3,300
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	3,950

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 5,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	20,000
Total	$25,000

Apparatus not in use, one Double Tank Chemical Engine, one Hand Reel and one Hand Engine.

Water works, one cistern, Holly and stand-pipe; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 70; domestic, 40.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 6.

CITIES HAVING ELECTRIC FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS.

Cities.	What Kind.
Charlotte	Richmond.
Asheville	Gamewell.
Wilmington	Gamewell.
Durham	Gamewell.
Raleigh	Gamewell.
Winston	Gamewell.
Newbern	Gamewell.
Salem	Gamewell.

CITIES HAVING FIRE COMPANIES.

	No. of Co's.	No. of Men White.	No. of Men Colored.
Wilson	2	24	18
Scotland Neck	1	—	20
Statesville	2	25	30
Goldsboro	3	48	—
Asheville	4	46	—
Wilmington	6	140	65
Concord	2	21	27
Durham	3	40	20
Fayetteville	3	34	—
Kinston	1	75	—
Raleigh	4	—	—
Enfield	1	35	—
Warrenton	1	—	31
Winston	4	52	15
LaGrange	1	20	—
Tarboro	2	40	38
Elizabeth City	1	30	—
Newbern	5	85	55
Greensboro	5	77	23
Salisbury	5	39	12
Charlotte	3	47	60
Total	59	878	435

CITIES HAVING WATER WORKS.

	Pressure. Fire.	Pressure. Domestic.
Asheville, G. and D.	150 lbs.	75 lbs.
Winston, D.	70 "	35 "
Greensboro, G. and D.	70 "	40 "
Tarboro, G. and D.	70 "	40 "
Goldsboro, G. and D.	50 "	40 "
Fayetteville, G. and D.	90 "	— "
Newbern, G. and D.	70 "	40 "
Wilmington, G. and D.	100 "	40 "
Salisbury, D.	65 "	40 "
Salem, G.	70 "	40 "
Concord, G. and D.	100 "	25 "
Raleigh, G. and D.	100 "	50 "
Charlotte, G. and D.	100 "	50 "
Henderson, G.	70 "	— "
Durham, D.	65 "	65 "
Wilson, G. and D.	150 "	50 "

B. T. Amerson, Statistician.

As Statistician, I will ask the Association to accept this report as the best I can do, knowing it is far short of what it should be. The Chiefs and Mayors of the towns are very careless with the blanks. They neglect to fill them out and return them, therefore we cannot make as full and complete a report as the Association might expect.

Respectfully submitted,

B. T. AMERSON,
Statistician.

The committee changing part of the Benefit Application made the following report:

That the Chief of each Department and the Treasurer of every Company whose members may apply for a partial disability should write under his own signature, a recommendation as follows:

I..... .....Fireman of..... .....Company of .... , N. C., and... .....Chief of..... Company of... ....N. C., do hereby state that the said ..... is in my opinion fully entitled to the amount claimed by him out of the North Carolina State Fireman's Association Relief Fund.

(Signed) .... Foreman,

.....Chief of Dept.

We, your Committee appointed to-day to recommend a change in our Disability Claims from the Relief Fund, would respectfully recommend the following, that the Secretary be ordered to change his blank application to read for either a total disability or a partial disability any member may receive two ($2) dollars a day, for not exceeding thirty days, and for a total disability, $2.00 per day not exceeding one hundred days, (100) all other payments to remain the same.

W. C. VonGlahn,
W. C. Bradsher,
W. F. McCarty.

Moved that Miss Lillian Brown, of Eagle Hose Company No. 7, and Miss Pearl ————, mascot of Hose Company of Newbern, be made honorary members of the Association. Carried.

Secretary Griffith moved that Mrs. John W. Fink be made an honorary member. Carried. (Rising vote.)

Mr. Capps moved that Hon. Theo. Klutts and George P. McNeill be made honorary members. Carried.

Moved that W. M. Harris, J. H. Weddington and L. M. Morrison be made honorary members. Carried.

The selection of judges for the Championship Hose Race was next in order.

President McNeill, of Fayetteville, Mr. VonGlahn, of Wilmington, and Mr. Ben T. Amerson, of Wilson, were put in nomination for judges.

President McNeill and Mr. Amerson withdrew their names, as they were officers in the Association.

B. T. Amerson, John Roddick and W. C. VonGlahn were selected.

A. A. Hayes, Robert Strange and W. P. Granger were appointed as time-keepers, and Dr. J. W. Griffith as starter.

On motion, they were appointed time-keepers and starter for all the races.

Secretary Griffith, Representative to the National Association at Augusta, Ga., made the following report:

I have no written report to make. I attended the National meeting at Augusta, Georgia, last summer, and the year before at Montreal, Canada. There were some objections offered to coming to Augusta. They wanted to go to Salt Lake, and there was a great deal of opposition. Delegates from the north and east and west thought that it was too big an assembly to come to such a small place as Augusta. Well, it came to Augusta, and the people came down there by the train load, and they were so well pleased with the entertainment and with the courtesy shown them, that when they offered a vote of thanks it was unanimous, and they went away singing the praises of Augusta and the South. I must say that I never attended a more pleasant meeting, and one where delegates received more attention. Lots of those northern and eastern fellows had never seen a cotton field, and they took them through the whole procedure, from where it was picked in the field to where it came out of the loom in cloth, and they were delighted with it. Then they took the whole number of delegates on the electric car line (which is the finest system I know of) to the old arsenal, wh re

they used to make powder in time of the rebellion. To say that a man did not enjoy himself would be insulting to them. I never attended a meeting where I enjoyed myself more and where I had more attention shown me. As for Roulette, Chief of Augusta Fire Department, he is a live, wide-awake young fellow of about 25 years of age. He is right up abreast of the times, and as for organization, I never saw a more perfect one. The Association can't do better than to have a representative at every National Association, and I think Chief Stone will bear me out in this. It will pay the Association well, if they can't get one there in any other way, to pay his way there. The Board of Aldermen ought to appropriate that much money every year.

Chief Stone, who attended the Salt Lake Convention, said:

I would like to be able to make a full report of the Salt Lake Convention, and if we had plenty of time I might entertain you for half an hour or more. I will not take up more than five minutes. It will be useless to tell you about the many pleasures we had down there. It was more like people coming from a royal reception than anything else. When we got to Kansas City we were met by that Fire Department and quite a number of Chiefs east of Kansas City and St. Louis. We went out in a body and met the delegation from Chicago at Denver, and went on together. Returning from Salt Lake City, we came over the ——— railroad, which lies through the most picturesque part of the United States, except Western North Carolina. (Applause.) In Salt Lake City the State authorities and everybody did everything they could to entertain the Association, and I was told by leading members that it was the most beneficial Association that had been held. The topics discussed were well discussed, and I will say to every member of the Convention that I will give them an opportunity of reading these topics, as I expect to publish them in the *Volunteer Fireman*.

I would like to second what Secretary Griffith said about sending a representative. I think the North Carolina Association ought to do as all others do. I think this Association ought to be represented, and if in no other way, that it ought to pay a representative's way. I think this Association ought to urge every Mayor, every City Counsel, to send their Chief to every National Association, because it will be money well invested. I don't know anything else now that will interest you.

Moved and seconded that these reports be incorporated into the proceedings of the meeting. Carried.

VOLUNTEER REPORTS OF THE FIRE ORGANIZATIONS.

SALEM—Rough and Ready Fire Engine Company.—In good shape; out of practice; have not done much lately; attended twenty alarms; seventeen in Winston and three in Salem.

CHARLOTTE—Fire Department.—In good shape; total number of fires, fifty-two; one a week; very good apparatus in very good condition. Alarm system is not as good as it ought to be, but we make out with it.

CONCORD—Hose and Reel Company.—In fine shape, and have been having no fires; one false alarm and one regular alarm; each amounting to nothing; in good shape.

NEWBERN—Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1.—We are in pretty good condition; have had two Hose Wagons built since last Association; the boys are pretty well satisfied; don't have any fires, and if we do they don't last.

SALISBURY.—In fairly good condition; recently purchased 500 feet of Hose; with the exception of this, about like last time.

DURHAM—Hose Company No. 2.—Durham is in good shape; new Hose Wagon, Hook and Ladder; cost $2,200.

GREENSBORO—Southside Hose Company No. 4.—In the best condition it's ever been.

Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1.—Our department has made good progress; had eighteen alarms, and $200 loss by fire, that is pretty good; we have one new Hose Wagon belonging to Eagle Hose Company No. 7, built and equipped at their own expense, and we have a new Fire Alarm system. I think our department is in about as good shape as ever.

RALEIGH—Rescue Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1—In good shape.

WILMINGTON—Steam Fire Engine Company No 1—In good shape.

WILSON—Phœnix Engine Company.—In fairly good shape; plenty of aparatus.

GOLDSBORO—Eclipse Steam Engine Company.—In good shape; ready for and willing to work at any time.

WILMINGTON—Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.—All right.
Howard Relief Engine Company—In excellent condition.

KINSTON—

WINSTON—No. 1.—In good shape; good condition.

ASHEVILLE—Rescue Hook and Ladder Company. Good shape.

GOLDSBORO—Fire Company No. 1—In first rate shape.
Electric Hose Company—In good shape.

WINSTON—Fire Company No. 2—In good shape.

FAYETTEVILLE—Steam Fire Engine Company—Number one shape; good Wagon; 2000 feet of Hose, and can't get anything to do.

ASHEVILLE—Company No. 1—Got 1,300 feet of new Hose.

MONROE—Fire Company No. 1—In good shape.

SALEM—Eagle Hose Company No. 4—Membership seventeen; tip top condition; have built new Hose house and purchased 500 feet new Hose.

TARBORO—Hook and Ladder Company No. 1—Good condition; no addition to appliances, but have a continual growth to membership.

WINSTON—Hook and Ladder Company—In good shape; don't have much to do, but are always ready.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Jas. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, was put in nomination, and, on motion, the nomination was made unanimous, and the vote was cast for President McNeill.

Mr. McNeill said:

GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION—In thus thrice honoring me as President of your body, it would be silly in me to say that I don't appreciate it, because I do. It is an honor that is an honor, and I haven't words enough to express my thankfulness or appreciation. I can only tell you that as I have tried in the past to serve you to the best of my ability, that you must judge the future by the past. I thank you, gentlemen, for this renewed mark of honor and confidence. I will try to be your faithful servant. I thank you, gentlemen, I thank you.

Nominations for Vice-President were now in order.

Dr. J. W. Griffith, E. G. Parmelee and H. L. Rigan were put in nomination. There was no election.

The names of Dr. Griffith and Mr. Rigan were withdrawn, and Mr. Parmelee was elected First Vice-President.

The names of Dr. Griffith, Mr. Rigan and Mr. Lumsden were put in nomination for Second Vice-President.

Dr. Griffith was elected.

Nominations for Statistician being next in order, B. T. Amerson was put in nomination, and he was elected by acclamation.

Nominations for Secretary being declared in order, H. J. Elam, J. J. Stone and J. C. Michie were put in nomination.

Mr. Michie was elected, and, on motion, the election was made unanimous.

Nominations for Treasurer being in order, Mr. Green, of Newbern, and A. A. Haynes, of Tarboro, were nominated.

Mr. Green was elected, and, on motion, the election was made unanimous.

Mr. Green was called for, and said:

GENTLEMEN—There is no need of my saying anything. I have thanked the Association so many times that it is almost impossible for me to find words to express my appreciation of your high appreciation of my efforts.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Mr. Green said:

I have just learned from good authority that Chief Newman is very anxious to go to the National Association next year. He says he is going, and would like to pay his own expenses. I move he be made a delegate by acclamation.

The motion was carried and Chief Newman was appointed a delegate.

The President said:

In my desire to make this a full meeting and to have a full attendance at this meeting, I wrote a little article for the Volunteer Fireman, which is the organ of the Association, inviting all the Mayors, Boards

of Aldermen, Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs and Foremen to be present. I instructed the editor to mail half a dozen copies to each Mayor and Chief, and to render us a bill at this meeting for it. It was done with a desire to bring people here, and build up this meeting. He declines to present any specified bill I would like to have some action taken to reimburse him.

Moved that the gentleman make out a bill of what it cost, and that the Association pay him. Carried.

Mr. Green suggested that the Association was due Mr. Wm. Ellis, Mayor of Newbern, a vote of thanks, as he was the only Mayor who had responded to the invitation.

A rising vote was taken, and Mayor Ellis was called for.

Mr. Ellis said:

MR. PRESIDENT—It is unnecessary for me to assure you of the interest which the city of Newbern, of which I have the honor to be the Mayor, takes in the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. At your last annual meeting held in our city, you had an opportunity to observe for yourselves the esteem in which our citizens held your organization, and the interest which they exhibited in the skill and prowess of what I believe to be the finest body of Volunteer Firemen in this or any other country. The spirit of friendly rivalry, the gentlemanly deportment and the devotion and enthusiasm displayed by the members of your organization and the visiting Firemen are still fresh in the memory of our citizens and will not be forgotten while memory performs her functions. The citizens of Newbern renew their expressions of encouragement and good cheer and will anxiously await the time when you will again become their guests.

The President called for unfinished business, and asked Mr. Michie to report about the legislation.

Mr. Michie said that he had a circular letter which he wished to send to all the different Companies, asking them to co-operate with his Company in getting a bill passed through the next Legislature exempting Firemen from poll tax and jury duty. In New York they are exempted after service of seven years, and Mr. Michie thought that North Carolina was entitled to recognition of that kind as much as any other State. His idea was

to ask the Chair to appoint a committee to bring it before the Legislature.

The President said:

As soon as the Committee is appointed, the whole matter will be turned over to them unless there is some objection.

The selection of place for next meeting was announced in order.

Fayetteville and Charlotte were put in nomination, and Fayetteville was selected as the place of meeting for 1897.

CHARLOTTE, August 19, 1896.

To W. T. Orr:

Extend a cordial invitation to Firemen's Association to meet in Charlotte next year. Every inducement will be offered by our citizens.

J. H. WEDDINGTON, Mayor.

Moved that the Convention tender a vote of thanks to the city officials and to the Chief and Assistant Chief of the Fire Department, for courtesies extended during the meeting. Carried.

Mr. Green moved that thanks of the Association be extended to Miss Buie, the Stenographer, for her patient attendance upon the meetings. Carried.

Moved that the Convention adjourn *sine die* to meet in Fayetteville in 1897, subject to the time fixed by the Executive Committee.

—— —— thought that that was a question that ought to be considered. As August is a hot month, he thought the meeting ought to be put off till October.

The Convention adjourned.

J. C. MICHIE, Secretary.

SECOND DAY.—DAY OF RACES.

Early in the morning before the sun had peeped above the horizon, the members of the different companies were astir, making ready for the Parade, every piece of apparatus being polished and made to look like diamonds in the radiant sun, at the same time being decorated with the lovely flowers furnished by the young ladies, of whom there are so many in this historic old town. Promptly at 9:30 o'clock the whole membership assembled at the Grand Stand, as per request, to have picture taken. As soon as this was finished, everybody was ready for the Parade. In this Chief Marshal Theo. Parker and his aids were active and having everybody made comfortable and in a position to show up to the best advantage. When all was ready, the command was given to march in the following order:

1. Platoon Mounted Police.
2. Statesville Cornet Band.
3. Officers N. C. State Firemen's Association in carriages.
4. Mayor and visiting Mayors in carriages.
5. City Council and visiting Councilmen in carriages.
6. Delegates N. C. State Firemen's Association in carriages.
7. Visiting Firemen in carriages.
8. Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Wilmington.
9. Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co., Newbern.
10. Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2, Winston.
11. Howard Relief Steam Fire Engine Co., Wilmington.
12. South Side Hose Co. No. 4, Greensboro.
13. Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Greensboro.
14. Eagle Hose Co. No. 7, Greensboro
15. Hose and Reel Co., Concord.
16. Hose Co. No. 1, Durham.
17. Hose Co. No. 1, Asheville.
18. Hose Co. (Rowan Hustlers), a company of little boys 8 to 12 years, with tiny reel and handsome uniforms.
19. Hose and Reel Co. (Charlotte Fire Department.)
20. Eagle Hose Co. No. 2, Salem.
21. Hose and Reel Co. of Salisbury.

The line of march was through the principal streets of the city, disbursing at the public square, where the different steamers, entered for quick steaming and distance, were placed around the base of the large fountain. It was only at this place was it possible to see or judge of the enormity of the crowd present. Not only all the inhabitants had turned out *en masse*, but it seemed the whole surrounding country.

The first of the contest programmed for this day was the

QUICK STEAMING ENGINE CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Howard Relief Steam Fire Engine Co., Wilmington.
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co., Newbern.
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2, Winston.
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Greensboro.

Judges.—B. T. Amerson, John Roddick, W. C. Bradsher.

Timers.—W. P. Granger, A. A. Haynes, W. C. Orr.

Starter.—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

Time—Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co., Newbern, 3 min. 33 sec.
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Greensboro, 3 min. 24 sec.

DISTANCE CONTEST.

Same Judges, Timers and Starter.

Howard Relief Steam Fire Engine Co., Wilmington, 221 feet, 4 inches.

Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2, Winston, 221 feet, 2 inches.

First Prize—Howard Relief.
Second Prize—Winston No. 2.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Asheville Hose Co. No. 1.
Salisbury Hose Co.
Charlotte Hose Co.
Durham Hose Co.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 7, Greensboro.
Atlantic Hose Co., Newbern.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 2, Salem.
South Side Hose Co. No. 4, Greensboro.

Judges.—B. T. Amerson. W. C. VonGlahn, John Roddick.

Timers.—W. P. Granger, A. A. Haynes, Robert Strange.

Starter.—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

Time—Asheville Hose Co. No. 1, nozzle blew off.
Salisbury Hose Co., 36 seconds.
Charlotte Hose Co., 34 seconds.
Durham Hose Co., 34 seconds.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 7, Greensboro, 35 1-5 seconds.
Atlantic Hose Co., Newbern, 33½ seconds.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 2, Salem, 35 seconds.
South Side Hose Co. No. 4, Greensboro, 31 1-5 seconds.

First Prize—South Side, Greensboro.
Second Prize—Atlantic, Newbern.

This finished the programme for the second day.

THIRD DAY.

GRAB RACE.

Same Judges, Timers and Starter.

ENTRIES.

Hose Company No. 1, Asheville.
Hose Company, Salisbury.
Hose Company, Charlotte.
Hose Company No. 1, Durham.
Atlantic Hose Company No. 7, Newbern.
Eagle Hose Company No. 4, Salem.
South Side Hose Company No. 4, Greensboro.

Time—Hose Company No. 1, Asheville, 26 seconds.
" Hose Company Salisbury, 24 2-5 seconds.
" Hose Company Charlotte, 25 seconds.
" Hose Company No. 1, Durham 25 2-5.
" Eagle Hose Company No. 7, Greensboro, 23 2-5 seconds.
" Atlantic Hose Company Newbern, 23 4-5 seconds.
" Eagle Hose Company No. 4, Salem, 23 1-5 seconds.
" South Side Hose Company No. 4, Greensboro, 22 4-5 seconds

First Prize—South Sides, Greensboro.
Second Prize—Eagle Hose, Salem.

HORSE REEL RACES.

Same Judges, Timers and Starter.

ENTRIES.

Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Company, Newbern.
Howard Relief Steam Engine Company, Wilmington.
Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1, Greensboro.

Time—Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Company, Newbern failed to connect.
" Howard Relief Steam Fire Engine Company, Wilmington, 41 1-5 seconds.
" Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1, Greensboro, 44 seconds.

First Prize—Howard Relief.
Second Prize—Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1

CHAMPIONSHIP HOSE RACE.

ENTRIES.

Hose Company No. 1, Asheville.
Hose Company, Salisbury.
Hose Company, Charlotte.
Eagle Hose Company, Greensboro.
Atlantic Hose Company, Newbern.
Eagle Hose Company No. 4, Salem.
South Side Hose Company No. 4, Greensboro.

Judges.—B. T. Amerson, W. C. VonGlahn, John Roddick.

Timers.—W. P. Granger, A. A. Hayes, Robt. Strange.

Starter.—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

Time—Hose Company No. 1, Asheville, Blew off nozzle.
" Hose Company, Salisbury, 61 seconds.
" Hose Company, Charlotte, 60 3-5 seconds.
" Eagle Hose Company No. 7, Greensboro, 56 4-5 seconds.
" Atlantic Hose Company, Newbern, 52 4-5.
" Eagle Hose Company No. 4, Salem Blew nozzle off.
" South Side Hose Company No. 4, Greensboro, 53 seconds.

To Dr. J. W Griffith, Secretary:

Atlantic Hose Company, Newbern having made best time, secures the Championship Belt and are the Champion Hose Company of the State for 1896.

B T. AMERSON,
W. C. VONGLAHN,
JOHN RODDICK,
Judges.

INDIVIDUAL FOOT RACES.

ONE HUNDRED YARD DASH.

D. B. Jackson	11 3-5 seconds
H. B. Donnell	42 4-5 seconds
C. E. Fish	12 2-5 seconds
Will Shipe	11 4-5 seconds
W. C. Tomlinson	12 3-5 seconds
Jas Trenton	11 2-5 seconds
Geo. Brandt	11 2-5 seconds
W. T. Richardson	11 2-5 seconds
W. R. Linton	12 1-5 seconds

Three having tied, rather than run over agree to divide prizes equally.

This concluded the programme of the Eighth Annual meeting, one of the most enthusiastic, and the largest attended meetings in the history of the Association.

IN MEMORIAM.

GUY F. STYRON,

NEWBERN, N. C., September 20, 1894.

ED. B. ENGELHARD,

RALEIGH, N. C., February 9, 1895.

N. V. HERNDON,

DURHAM, N. C., March 8, 1895.

FRANK BRANAN,

RALEIGH, N. C., May 14, 1895.

CHARLES LEWIS,

GREENSBORO, N. C., June 17, 1895.

JOHN W. FINK,

CONCORD, N. C., July 15, 1895.

JOHN G. CAUKLE,

SALISBURY, N. C., July 20, 1896.

RULES GOVERNING TOURNAMENTS AND RACES HELD UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

RULE I.

There shall be held annually an Association Tournament, at such time and place as the Association shall from time to time direct, at which Tournament, and no other, the championship of the various branches of the firemen's service shall be contested for.

All Tournaments shall be under the auspicies of the Association, but the arrangements shall be made by the firemen and citizens at the place which it is to be held.

RULE II.

SECTION 1. Champion prizes, other than money prizes, shall be the property of the Association, subject to their call and control, but will be in possession of the champion Companies until within ten days of the meeting of the Association, when it shall be returned to the Secretary, and by him put in safe keeping until the day of the races, and then he shall place the same in the hands of the Judges of the race for which the prize is offered, before the Companies start in said race.

SEC. 2. This Association shall have the power to suspend any Company from participating in any Annual Tournament.

SEC. 3. All Companies, members of this Association, can contest for prizes at the Annual Tournament, unless suspended.

SEC. 4. All prizes hereafter offered for contest at the Annual Tournament of the Association, for which there has been no competition, shall revert to the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, to be by said Associa-

tion devoted to the purchase of permanent Association Championship prizes, to be competed for as provided for in the preceding Section.

RULE III.

SECTION 1. The Captains of the competing teams shall select Judges and Time-Keepers, at each Annual Tournament, who shall decide each and every contest which takes place at said Tournament. That no one shall serve as a Judge in any of the contests who is *not* a resident of the State of North Carolina, and who is a resident of the town represented by a Company or Team, taking part in the contests, and the decision of these Judges shall be final.

RULE IV.

SECTION 1. Any Company attempting to win a prize by fraud, deception or foul play, or in any dishonorable way, or who shall disobey or infringe upon or evade any of the requirements of these Rules, shall forfeit any prize won thereby, and shall be subject to suspension or expulsion.

SEC. 2. None but regular organized Companies, who have been organized as such at least thirty days prior to the Annual Tournament, and are members of this Association, can compete for any championship, and no person shall be allowed to run with or assist any Company in any contest who has not been a member of said Company at least thirty days prior to such contest.

SEC. 3. No Company shall be allowed more than one trial in any contest.

RULE V.

SECTION 1. Every person taking any part in any contest requiring running shall be required to start with his Company from the starting point.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Starting Judges to start each team by saying, "Are you ready?" after which a pistol will be fired or an electric bell sounded, and time taken from these.

SEC. 2. All contestants in races must be decently clothed, the Executive Committee to decide.

RULE VI.

SECTION 1. The Start and Outcome Judges in any contest shall by means of flag signals, signify the readiness for a start prior to any run.

SEC. 2. Timers must be placed at the Outcome and time must be settled by them before reporting to the Judges, and they must report their readiness to Judges at Outcome before each team is started.

RULE VII.

SECTION. 1. The names of the contestants in each team, and the names of not more than four substitutes in each team, must be handed to the Secretary of the Association prior to the contest, and such list must be accompanied by a certificate from the Foreman and Secretary of the Company to which the team belongs that such parties are actual members of thirty days standing in said Company.

SEC. 2. In case of a tie being made by teams in any contest the Judges shall immediately order such teams to run over, and said contest shall be the deciding run of such contest.

RULES GOVERNING HOSE COMPANIES.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS.

SECTION 1. Any cart capable of carrying 500 feet of regulation hose may be used, number not to exceed sixteen men and a Foreman.

SEC. 2. Hose race, wet or dry, distance to hydrant 200 yards, lay 300 feet of hose, uncouple, put on pipe, time to be called when pipe is dropped to the ground in dry run, and when water leaves the pipe in wet run, carts not to carry less than 350 feet of hose reeled into one continuous line, Companies not to exceed sixteen men and a Foreman.

SEC. 3. Center of reel of hose cart or carriage to be on the starting line.

SEC. 4. Pipe to be carried on cart or by pipeman from the start. Pipe shall be of such style or pattern as teams may select, *provided always*, they are suitable for active service. *No couplings other than standard screw couplings shall be allowed.*

SEC. 5. Sixteen men and a Foreman allowed in all Hose Races; no man to start ahead of leaders or to fall in and assist in dragging the apparatus after the start.

SEC. 6. No professional runner will be allowed to compete in any contest. The term, "professional runner," is applied to one who has or is following racing as a profession or means of a livelihood, and common reputation shall be deemed conclusive evidence of such profession, which shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

SEC. 7. All couplings used must be standard screw couplings, eight threads to the inch and adapted to two and one-half inch fire hose; the hose on each coupling not to be shorter than fifty feet.

SEC. 8. All work must be done by hands or spanner.

SEC. 9. Snap, spring and unproportioned couplings, or any attachment to couplings to assist in breaking or making, BARRED.

SEC. 10. When time is called competitors must step back for Judges to examine. Judges must chalk pipe and couplings before moving, then turn pipe off to see that it takes the required three turns to disconnect.

SEC. 11. That the Association, at its meeting previous to the time such Championship Race shall come off, shall elect three Judges, one Time-Keeper and one whose duty it shall be to take charge of the Race under the above Rules and report the result to the Secretary as soon as the Race is over.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTESTS.

Trucks to be weighed and one man allowed to every seventy-five (75) pounds—Captain and Ladderman not included with the running team, but to run in the contest.

Distance to be run one hundred (100) yards—unstrap and take off three ladders, raise the third ladder (which must not be less than thirty(30)feet long), man to ascend and touch top piece of ladder and descend, replacing all ladders and strap down. Ladders must be raised by hand—no hooks or poles allowed.

Ladderman must start from bottom round.

No less than two entries required.

No Truck Company will be allowed to form a Reel Team.

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING MONEY PRIZES.

STEAMER CONTEST—QUICK STEAM—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer to come to cistern empty and cold; to be filled with cold water until the engineer running the engine says "stop;" fuel to be furnished by the Judges, and must be the same as fired with in case of fire, (either wood or coal and not over one-half gallon of alcohol or oil.) Time to be taken from first appearance of smoke from top of stack, and to throw water 50 feet, through not less than 48 feet of hose. *Distance*—Steamer throwing water the greatest distance, with not over 100 pounds of steam, through not less than 48 feet of hose, size of nozzle optional.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

TWO TO ENTER.

Sixteen men and a Foreman allowed.

Reel not to carry less than one hundred and forty-eight feet of standard two and one-half inch hose; to be connected on the start as when ready for duty at fires, (three full threads or turns); to run one hundred and fifty yards, unreel not less than ninety-eight feet of hose, attach same to plug, screw pipe to hose, (any size nozzle), throw water in quickest time. The butt to drop opposite or beyond the plug, or Company shall be ruled out. (It is understood by "butt to drop opposite or beyond the plug" to mean that water from nozzle shall show at this point). The plug must be closed, cap on three threads, at the time of the Company's starting on run, and shall only be opened by the wrenchman running with the Company. No straps or snap couplings allowed.

The hose must be let go as soon as attached to the

plug. If the butt is blown off the Company shall be ruled out. No couplings shall be used without nipples.

No Company will be allowed to assist another. In the run, each Company is required to furnish a roll of its members to the Secretary of the Association on the morning of the first day, at as early an hour as possible. Fifteen minutes will be allowed each Company after the Judges' signal of ready, and any Company failing to start within that time shall be ruled out. Two entries required. No one allowed inside the ropes except the Company making the run. The Company making the best time wins the first prize. No Company allowed to enter more than one team.

GRAB RACE CONTEST.

Company to run fifty yards, grab reel and run fifty yards to plug, unreel not less than forty-eight feet of hose, attach same to plug and throw water—drag rope to be up or down (optional with Company). Coupling to be made with two full threads. Plug must be closed when Company start on run, same as the Reel Contest.

HAND TRUCK HOOK AND LADDER RACE.

Companies allowed one man to every seventy-five pounds exclusive of Ladderman and Captain. Must run one hundred yards, unstrap and take off three ladders raise the third ladder, (which must not be less than thirty feet long) man to ascend and touch top piece or round of ladder and descend, replace all ladders and strap down.

Ladders must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles allowed. Ladderman must start from bottom round.

Not less than two entries allowed. No Hose Company allowed to form or assist a Truck Company.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST—HORSE TRUCK.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed One or Two Horse Truck. Trucks to be weighed. Weight for one horse not less than 1,200 pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* for two horses not less than 2,600 pounds. Horse or horses to be hitched to truck, and run three hundred yards; unstrap and take off three ladders, raise the third ladder, (which must not be less than thirty feet long), man to ascend and touch top piece or round of ladder and decend; replace all ladders and strap down. Ladder must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles allowed. Ladderman must start from bottom round. Not less than two entries allowed. No Hose Company allowed to form or assist a Truck Company. Only sixteen men allowed, exclusive of driver and Ladderman.

HOSE REEL RACE.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed the use of any four-wheeled Hose Carriage or Wagon, either one or two horse; to carry not less than 350 feet standard two and one-half inch hose; Carriage or wagon to be weighed; weight for one-horse not less than 1,200 pounds *exclusive of driver and men;* for two horses, not less than 2,600 pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* the driver, buttman and coupling breaker shall ride on Carriage or Wagon, horse or horses to be standing hitched to Hose Carriage or Wagon, and run two hundred yards to hydrant, unreel not less than two hundred and eighty-eight feet of hose, break coupling and attach pipe and show water; water must show within fifty feet of two hundred and eighty eight foot line; hose to be reeled on Carriage or placed in Wagon,

connected with three full threads. The plug must be closed at the time of the Company starting, and cannot be opened until hose is first started to be unreeled. Companies allowed five men in addition to those who ride, and can be placed in such position as desired. Time taken from first signal until water shows. If butt or pipe blows off Company shall be ruled out.

ONE HUNDRED YARD FOOT RACE CONTEST.

Men to run one hundred yards. Two men to be selected by the Captain of each Company. The one making the best time wins the prize.

OTHER EVENTS.

SACK RACE.

Contestants to be enveloped in bags to the neck, run fifty yards. All persons entering must run at the same time.

BARROW RACE.

To run fifty yards. Contestants to be blindfolded. The one coming nearest to the mark wins the prize.

GENERAL RULES.

All contestants will be required to take part in the parade unless excused for satisfactory reasons. Same to be made in writing.

In no case will a second trial be allowed.

Each Company's run will be decided by lot.

Captains will select all Judges on the morning of the contests.

All campeting Companies must furnish the Judges with weight of apparatus—to be weighed on city scales.

Companies wishing couplings—city standard, eight threads to the inch—will be furnished with the same on application to the Chief of Fire Department.

Hose will be furnished on day of the contest if desired.

No person will be allowed to enter any of the contests unless he is a *bona fide* member of the Company with which he enters.

N. B.—Judges must be governed by the above RULES, as no changes will be allowed under any circumstances.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly Convened:

SECTION 1. That C. D. Benbow, J. G. Fowler, H. J. Elam, A. T. Boyd, C. F. Thomas, J. R. Donnell, Charles Whittington and S. D. Wilson, of Greensboro; J. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville; J. T. Thacher, W. F. Keith, S. A. Sink, C. A. Shipes, F. H. Vogler, F. C. Meinung, of Winston-Salem; E. B. Engelhard, T. W. Blake, F. H. Lumsden and F. Branan of Raleigh; H. E. Heartt, of Durham; B. J. Swinson, of Charlotte, and such other persons as are associated with them and their successors be, and they hereby are, constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, and by that name sue and be sued, and prosecute and defend suits in all Courts in this State, and may have and use a common seal, and alter the same at pleasure. May make contracts and shall be capable in law of purchasing, holding and conveying any real or personal estate for the use and benefit of said Association or corporation, provided, that said corporatian shall not at any time hold real or personal estate of a greater amount than ten thousand ($10,000) dollars.

SEC. 2. The purposes for which said Association is organized are: The protection and promotion of the best interests of the Firemen of North Carolina, the compilation of fire statistics, the collection of information concerning the practical workings of different systems of organizations, the examination of and inquiry concerning the merits of the different kinds of apparatus in use and the improvements in the same, the cultivation of a

fraternal fellowship between the different Companies of the State.

SEC. 3. Said Association or corporation shall have power to appoint officers, hold meetings, to adopt a Constitution and enact such By-Laws and in such manner as their Constitution may prescribe, and make such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry into effect the objects and aims of the Association, *provided*, that such Constitution and By-Laws, rules and regulations be not repugnant to the Constitution of the State and of the United States.

SEC. 4. That this Act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 11th day of March, A. D. 1889.

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

PREAMBLE.

We, the members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, in order to form a more perfect organization, establish harmony of action, insure prosperity and success, provide pecuniary support, secure protection and promote the best interest of the Firemen of North Carolina, and compile statistics of information concerning the practical workings of various systems, and the merits of various apparatus in use for the extinguishing of fires, also the cultivation of fraternal fellowship between the several Fire Departments of the State, do hereby establish the following Constitution and By-Laws:

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. This organization shall be known as the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Statistician, and they shall constitute the Executive Committee, and will hold their respective offices for one year, or until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Association by ballot, the successful candidate to receive a majority of the votes cast.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. The members of this Association shall consist of the several Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs of Fire Departments, Fire Marshals, Superintendents of Fire Alarm Telegraph, and each regular organized Fire Company in the several Fire Departments of the State, said persons and Companies complying with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association; all individual members of such Fire Company shall, also, by virtue of their membership in such Company, be members of this Association for the purpose of participating in the benefits of this Association, and the funds distributed by it, so long as said Company remains a member of this Association, and complies with the Constitution and By-Laws, and no longer. But should any member fail to pay his *pro rata* assessment, when called for, he shall be debarred from the privileges of this Association.

SEC. 2. Any member injured or made sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of his duty, as a Firemen, shall be entitled to benefits from the "Firemen's Relief Fund" of this Association as follows: At the rate of two ($2.00) dollars while totally unable to attend to his ordinary business by reason of such injury or sickness, but such beneficiary arising from any particular injury or sickness shall not lose time longer than *one hundred* days from date of such injury, or beginning of such disability created by such sickness; but when partially disabled may receive $2.00 per day for not exceeding thirty days; but the Executive Committee may extend such benefits to the next annual meeting of the Association held next after the expiration of said period of one hundred days, and the Association at the annual meeting will, at its pleasure, determine the time for which such benefits may be received. In case of death from such sickness or in-

jury, this Association shall pay to the widow of the deceased $250.00 and $50.00 for funeral expenses, and in case the deceased should have no relatives, this amount shall be paid into the Treasury of the Company of which he was a member. Every person or Company eligible and desiring to become a member of this Association shall make application to the Secretary, and at the same time pay to the Secretary the prescribed membership fee, and thereupon, if such applicant be eligible, he shall become a member of this Association.

SEC. 3. Every Fire Company in the State, which is a member of this Association, shall, on or before the first day of August in each year, elect two delegates and, also, two alternates, to serve for the ensuing year, with the Chief Engineer and First Assistant of the various Departments as delegates at large, who are entitled to one vote each.

SEC. 4. All Companies represented in this Association must be in full accord and in good standing in the Fire Department where they are located, and if at any time they are not so, they shall forfeit all right to membership in this Association.

ARTICLE IV.

SECTION 1. The Annual meeting of the Association shall be held at such time and place, in each and every year, as the Executive Committee may select, at such as a majority of the members present of the Association shall designate, and special meetings may be called by the President or a majority of the Executive Committee.

SEC. 2. A failure to hold any Annual meeting at the time designated in the Constitution shall in no wise make a dissolution of the Association.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at such time and place as they may decide, on a call of the President or a majority of said Committee.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. If any vacancy shall occur by reason of death, resignation of office or membership of any officers of this Association, such vacancy may be filled by the Executive Committee for the unexpired term for which said officer was elected.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. This Association shall have power to alter, amend or revise this Constitution and By-Laws, but it shall be necessary for a two-thirds vote of the members of the Association present *entitled to vote*, *provided* the proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing at a previous meeting of the Executive Committee.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside over the meeting of the Association and to sign all orders duly granted by the Association or Executive Committee.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform all the duties of the President in his absence.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a complete record of the proceedings of the Association, to receive and answer all communications pertaining to the Association. To keep a roster of the names of the different Companies composing the Association and the individual membership thereof, and to collect the initiation fee and per capita tax, to pay the same over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor. He shall receive as compensation for his service $200 per annum, to be paid quarterly by warrant on the Treasurer, signed by the President.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys collected by the Secretary and receipt to him for the same. He shall collect annually from the State Treasurer the amount appropriated by the Legislature for the Firemen's Relief Fund. He shall disburse no moneys except on order of the President or by instruction of the Association in annual meeting assembled. At the annual meeting he shall make a full report of all moneys received and disbursed by him, and shall execute a bond to the State of North Carolina to the amount of $5,000 to be approved and filed with the Treasurer of the said State of North Carolina, and shall make a detailed report to the said Treasurer of the yearly expenditures of the Firemen's Relief Fund. He shall execute a bond in the sum of $800 to this Association for the security of the General Fund, said bond must be approved by the Executive Committee. He shall receive $150.00 compensation as annual salary, to be paid quarterly by warrant issued by the Secretary and signed by the President.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Statistician to correctly compile the statistics of each village and city in the State, of all matters pertaining to the fire service, annually correcting the previous reports which shall include everything of interest to our Firemen, and be so arranged as to be comprehensive in its every detail. The expense of all printing, printed matter and postage necessary in the sending for and receiving of such information to be paid by the Association, and he shall receive $25 annually for his services.

SEC. 7. The duty of the Executive Committee shall be to have published the proceedings of the Association, to transact all business of the Association during the time intervening between the annual meetings, and they shall constitute a Board of Trustees for the management of all funds of the Association. At all meetings of the

Executive Committee a majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum, and a majority of such quorum may determine all questions.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. Each Company shall pay a membership fee of five dollars, and fifty cents per capita yearly thereafter in advance, for dues; and each Chief, Assistant Chief, Fire Marshal and Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph shall pay one dollar annual dues in advance. The Secretary shall be exempt from the payment of annual dues.

SEC. 2. The annual dues shall be paid on or before the first day of January in each year, in advance for the ensuing year. And all members who fail to comply with this Section shall thereupon, and by reason of such failure, cease to be members of this Association and cannot again become members except by a new application, made in regular form, and paying the prescribed fees for membership.

SEC. 3. Any individual or Company, members of this Association, who at any time, fail to act in a gentlemanly manner, may, upon charges being brought before the Association, be expelled from said Association by a majority vote of the membership.

SEC. 4. Any exempt Fireman may, upon the payment of two dollars and of the regular annual dues, become a member of this Association, with all the rights and privileges of any other member.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. All members sick or injured in the line of fire duty shall be entitled to the benefits from the Fireman's Relief Fund of this Association as follows: At the rate of two dollars each day, while unable to at-

tend to their regular business, as provided for in the Constitution.

SEC. 2. In case of death from sickness or injury received in the performance of fire duty, ($250) two hundred and fifty dollars, and ($50) fifty dollars for funeral expenses.

SEC. 3. For the widow; in case there is no widow, to the children; if there is no child or children, to the mother of the deceased Fireman, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, and fifty dollars for funeral expenses; and in case there be no relatives, to be paid to the Treasurer of the Company of which he was a member.

SEC. 4. The Chief, or Acting Chief, shall certify before a Magistrate or Notary Public, on blank form, in triplicate, furnished by the Secretary, all particulars regarding each case where a benefit is required, accompanied by the certificate of the attending physician.

SEC. 5. Applications for benefits shall be made to the Secretary, in compliance with forms to be furnished by him for that purpose, and shall be made within thirty days after receiving the injury or contracting the disease complained of; but said time for making said application may be extended by the Executive Committee for good cause shown.

SEC. 6. The action of the Association upon all questions that may arise as to granting or referring relief and benefits, both as to amount thereof and the person claiming, and as incidental thereto, upon all questions relating to the right or claims of membership, shall be final and conclusive, and the action of the Executive Committee upon said questions shall in like manner and extent be final and conclusive until the same be changed by the Association at its annual meeting.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The presiding officer shall preserve order and decorum; all questions of order shall be decided by him, subject to an appeal to the Association.

2. Every member when he speaks shall rise, standing in his place, address the presiding officer, and shall omit personalities, and confine himself to the question under debate.

3. When two or more members shall arise at once, the presiding officer shall name the one who shall speak first.

4. A member when called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain by the Chair. If there be no appeal, the decision shall be conclusive.

5. Every delegate shall vote, unless excused by the Association, but no delegate shall vote on any question in which he shall have a direct individual or pecuniary interest, and the President shall only vote in case of a tie.

6. The ayes and nays shall be taken and entered upon the minutes of the Association, if required by three delegates.

7. All business not provided for in these By-Laws, shall be transacted according to the Parliamentary rules that govern deliberative bodies. Not less than the representatives of five Companies shall constitute a quorum.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Call to order.
2. Presentation of credentials.
3. Reading the minutes of the previous meeting.
4. Collection of Dues.
5. Report of Officers and Committees.
6. Miscellaneous business.
7. Volunteer Report of Fire Organizations.
8. Election of Officers.
9. Unfinished Business.
10. Installation of Officers.
11. Adjournment.

AN ACT CREATING A RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED FIREMEN.

The General Assembley of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the sum of two thousand five hundred ($2,500) dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated annually, and shall constitute a Firemen's Relief Fund, but in no case shall the said appropriation exceed one half of the license tax levied and collected by the State from Insurance Companies.

SEC. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay the amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund to the Treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association on the warrant of the Auditor of the State.

SEC. 3. That the money so paid in the hands of the Treasurer of the said North Carolina State Firemen's Association shall be known and remain as the Firemen's Relief Fund of North Carolina, and shall be used as a Fund for the relief of Firemen, members of the Association, who may be injured or rendered sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of duty as Firemen, and for relief of widows' children, and if there be no widow or children, then dependent mothers of such Firemen killed or dying from disease so contracted in such discharge of duty, to be paid in such manner and in such sums to such individuals of the classes herein named and described as may be provided for and determined upon in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of said Association. And such provisions and determinations made pursuant to said Constitution and By-Laws shall be final and conclusive as to the persons entitled to benefits, and as to the amount of benefit to be received, and no action at law shall be maintained against said Association to enforce any claim or recover any benefit under this Act, or under the Constitution

and By-Laws of said Association; but if any officer or Committee of said Association omit or refuse to perform any duty imposed upon him or them, nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any proceedings against said officer or Committee to compel him or them to perform such duty.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association shall give a bond to the State of North Carolina with good and sufficient sureties to the satisfaction of the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina in double of the sum received by him, said State Treasurer, for the faithful performance of his duties under this Act, and shall make detailed report to the State Treasurer of the yearly expenditure of the appropriation under this Act on or before the end of the fiscal year.

SEC. 5. The line of duty specified in Section 3 shall not be so construed as to mean any other duty except actual fire duty, which shall consist of service in the Fire Department from the time of the Fire Alarm until the members are dismissed by the Company officers at roll call; also any actual duty connected with the Fire Department when directed to perform the same by the officer in charge.

SEC. 6. That any Fireman of good moral character in North Carolina, and belonging to an organized Fire Company, who will comply with the requisitions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, may become a member of said Association, and any organized Fire Company in North Carolina, holding itself ready for duty, may, upon compliance with the requisitions of said Constitution and By-Laws, become a member of said North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

SEC. 7. That the provisions of this Act shall apply

to any Fireman who is a member of a regularly organized Fire Company.

SEC. 8. That this Act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D., 1891.

AMENDMENT.

An Act of the last Legislature reads as follows: (See page 41, Proceedings of 1893.)

An Act to Amend Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 468, Laws 1891, be amended to read as follows:

SEC. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay the amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund on the warrant of the Auditor, three-fourths to the Treasurer of the North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association properly chartered by law. That the said Treasurer of the North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association shall give bond, and the said Association shall disburse the funds in the same manner and under the same rules as the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

SEC. 3. That this Act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified March 6th, A. D., 1893.

AMENDMENT.

An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 474 of the Laws of 1873.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 474 of Laws 1893, be amended as follows:

That the words three-fourths in line three, of said Section be stricken out and the word one-fourth be inserted in lieu thereof.

SEC. 2. That this Act be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 28th day of February, A. D., 1895.

MEMBERSHIP.

LIST OF COMPANIES MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR 1896–'97.

Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Winston	Department.
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2	"	"
Rough and Ready Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Salem	"
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4	"	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Charlotte	"
Hose and Reel Co.	Concord	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Newbern	"
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co.	"	"
Hose Co. No. 1	Durham	"
Hose Co. No. 2	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Greensboro	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
South Side Hose Co. No. 4	"	"
West End Hose Co. No. 5	"	"
Eagle Hose Co. No. 7	"	"
Rescue Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Raleigh	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Wilmington	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Howard Relief Fire Engine Co.	"	"
Fifth Ward Hook and Ladder Co.	"	"
Phœnix Fire Engine Co.	Wilson	"
Eclipse Steam Fire Engine Co.	Goldsboro	"
Fire Co. No. 1	"	"
Electric Hose Reel Co.	"	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Kinston	"
Rescue Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Asheville	"
Hose Co. No. 1	"	"
Chicora Steam Fire Engine Co	Fayetteville	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Monroe	"
Albemarle Fire Co.	Elizabeth City	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Tarboro	"

LIST OF CHIEFS AND ASSISTANTS OF DEPARTMENTS REPRESENTED IN THE ASSOCIATION.

Chief, John W. Hanes Assistant, H. L. Reagans	Winston	Department.
Chief, F. C. Meinung Assistant, H. L. Grunert	Salem	"
Chief, Chas T. Myers Assistant, John Banton	Enfield	"
Chief, W. E. Culpepper Assistant, W. B. Glenn	Charlotte	"
Chief, J. L. Boger Assistant, R. Will Johnstone	Concord	"
Chief, W. D. Barrington Assistant, J. L. Taylor	Newbern	"
Chief, Geo. G. Seyfert Assistant, M. V. B. Capps	Salisbury	"
Chief, W. C. Bradsher Assistant, H. E. Heartt	Durham	"
Chief, J. J. Stone Assistant, J. H. Phipps	Greensboro	"
Chief, L. A. Mahler Assistant, Walter Woolcott	Raleigh	"
Chief, Martin Newman Assistant, Charles Snibbens	Wilmington	"
Chief, Doane Herring Assistant, —— ——	Wilson	"
Chief, W. P. Granger Assistant, F. W. Hilker	Goldsboro	"
Chief, J. D. Taylor Assistant, —— ——	Kinston	"
Chief, Jas. P. Sawyer Assistant, H. C. Fagg	Asheville	"
Chief, Jas. D. McNeill Assistant, John Roddick	Fayetteville	"
Chief, Dr. S. J. Welsh Assistant, —— ——	Monroe	"
Chief, —— —— Assistant, —— ——	Elizabeth City	"
Chief, W. O. Howard Assistant, C. B. Mehegan	Tarboro	"

COMPANY AND DEPARTMENT MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR 1896–'97.

HOOK AND LADDER CO. No. 1, WINSTON.

P. H. Lybrook,
R. C. Taylor,
A. H. Marsh,
Jas. S. Dunn, Sec.,
R. W. Bryan,
C. M. Jones,
J. F. Jeffreys,
J. M. Lentz,
O. E. Liipfert,
Thos. Price,
Wood Richmond,
H. J. Stultz,
F. B. Miller,
L. Novell,
Chas. E. Shelton,
H. L. Wall,
M. G. Follin,
A. A. Watson,
M. W. Norfleet, Jr.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. No. 1, WINSTON.

A. J. Gales,
J. W. Stout,
B. A. Johnson, Sec.,
R. L. Rogers,
C. F. Read,
M. E. Warner,
R. C. Stevens,
Lewis Thomas,
J. R. Crutchfield,
J. M. Parish,
S. J. Lambe,
Walter Crouse,
J. W. Allred,
G. W. Base,
W. A. Dixon,
R. S. Westmoreland,
L. F. Evans,
Geo. Allen,
Jas. East,
G. H. Myers.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., No. 2, WINSTON.

F. F. White,
John Gilliam,
W. A. Eyler, Sec.,
John Holmes,
J. J. Adams,
H. D. Shutt,
Herman Citzenbaum,
W. B. Sheets,
R. M. Tuttle,
B. W. Mattock,
Ed. Dull.
H. L. Foard,
J. B. McCreary,
E. L. Anderson,
Wiley Keith,
L. Lambeth,
Monroe Long,
Frank Sink,
Ed. Rothrock,

ROUGH AND READY FIRE ENGINE CO., No. 1, SALEM,

E. K. Brewer,
B. Brown,
Wesley Everhart,
Sam'l Faircloth,
D. L. Hanes,
Walter Hege,
E. V. Tesh, Sec.,
D. H. Hudson,
Francis Kimmel,
S. F. Morton.
J. E. Peterson,
James Petree,
A. J. Petticord,
F. H. Vogler.
W. S. Pfohl,
S. G. Rogers,
J. W. T. Schott,
Cicero Sink,
Chas. Stuart,
R. A. Tesh,

EAGLE HOSE CO. No. 4, SALEM.

R. A. Shore, Sec.,
Daniel Barton,
E. L. Meyers,
C. E Tesh,
Clarence Farley,
J. W. Jarvis,
T. M. Fullbright,
E. A. Shepherd,
H. C. Pepper,
F. V. Pfaff,
Jas. Brewer,
J. L. Farley.
L. A. Wood,
Eugene Jarvis,
Jasper Womble,
J. H. Russell,
W. H. Collins,

FIRE CO. No. 1, CHARLOTTE.

W. A. Cruse,
C. M. Jetton,
John Beattie, Sec.,
Jas. Porter,
John Davidson,
Joe Wentz,
M. M. Wallace,
F. A. Sawyer,
W. T. Hart,
Chas. Hirst,
Geo. Gifford,
H. A. Renz,
T. Garribaldi,
W. S. Orr,
Chas Creswell,
W. W. Irvine,
C. M. Davidson,
Ed. F. Creswell,
Fred Fuller,
Geo. Link,
W. M. Charles,
Jno. Hawkins,
Geo. Grant,
D. Link,
B. J. Swinson,
John Creswell,
L. F. Dulin,
Ed Coghill,
Sam McCall,
Lon Hammond,
Geo. Griffith.

HOSE AND REEL CO., CONCORD.

Geo. M. Murr,
W. Ed Castor,
W. W. Deaton,
Jas. R. Cook,
J. L. Brown,
J. V. Stiller,
Chas. Sappenfield,
Luther C. Biles,
Henry G. Ritz.
Y. C. Caldwell,
Victor O. Sloop,
Cecil Foil,
Eli Goldston,
J. W. Hamilton,
Robt. H. White, Sec.,
Robt. Wallthall.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. No. 1, NEWBERN.

A. E. Hubbard,
W. P. Rue,
W. S. Parsons,
Frank Mathews, Sec.,
A. H. Bougert,
C. H. Hall,
W. E. Smith,
H. P. Willis,
A. T. Land,
John Gaskill,
Joe Congdon,
J. T. Hargett,
Edward Clark,
S. F. Hurtt,
G. D. Dail,
Oscar Kafir,
Luther Taylor,
D. R. Fulford,
Looby Moody,
Sam Moody,
Geo. Sheelky,
C. R. Walker,
Chas. Thornton,
J. B. Richardson,
Jacob Crabtree,
Guy Cox.

ATLANTIC STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NEWBERN.

J. L Hartsfield,
T. D. Carraway,
J. K. Willis,
J. E. Holton,
R. B. Lane,
J. G. Delamar,
H. W. Simpson.
W. F. Richardson,
J. W. Gaskill,
J. W. Timberlake,
Geo. Bender,
J. D. Gaskins,
C. S. Hill,
C. B. Foy,
Jas. Redmond,
Geo. C. Jones,
Geo. D. Roberts, Sec.,
H. B. Smith,
J. C. Scales.

FIRE COMPANY No. 1, SALISBURY.

C. H. Swink, Sec.,
Chas. McDaniel,
D. L. Sides,
T. L. Swink,
M. L. Swink,
Jake Wallace,
Walter Linton,
J. M. Morgan,
P. H. Meroney,
Henry Goodman,
J. M. Peck,
Robert Julian,
J. T. Morgan,
J. W. Glover,
Thos. Aaron,
Luther Miller,
Bismark Capps,
Rowan Howard,
B. T. Caukle,
D. L. Caukle,
Geo. Pool,
Warren Kluttz.
W. F. Caukle.
John Ramsey.

SOUTH SIDE HOSE CO., No. 4, GREENSBORO.

Robert Elliott,
F. Keith,
J. A. Walker.
J. S. Barnes,
J. A. Clifton,
H. L. Reynolds,
H. B. Donnell,
R. L. Woodard.
G. C. Smith, Sec.,
J. H. Phipps,
Geo. Pritchett.

STEAM ENGINE CO. No. 1, GREENSBORO.

E. A. Cox,
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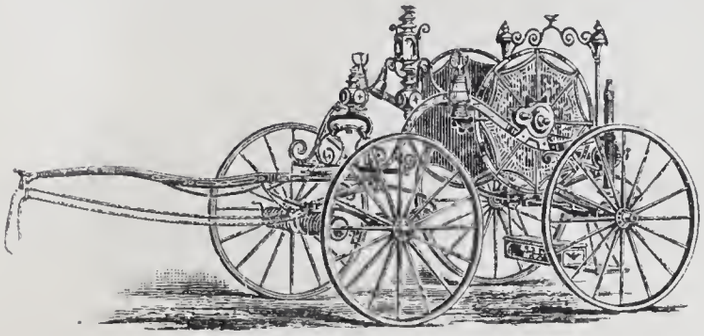

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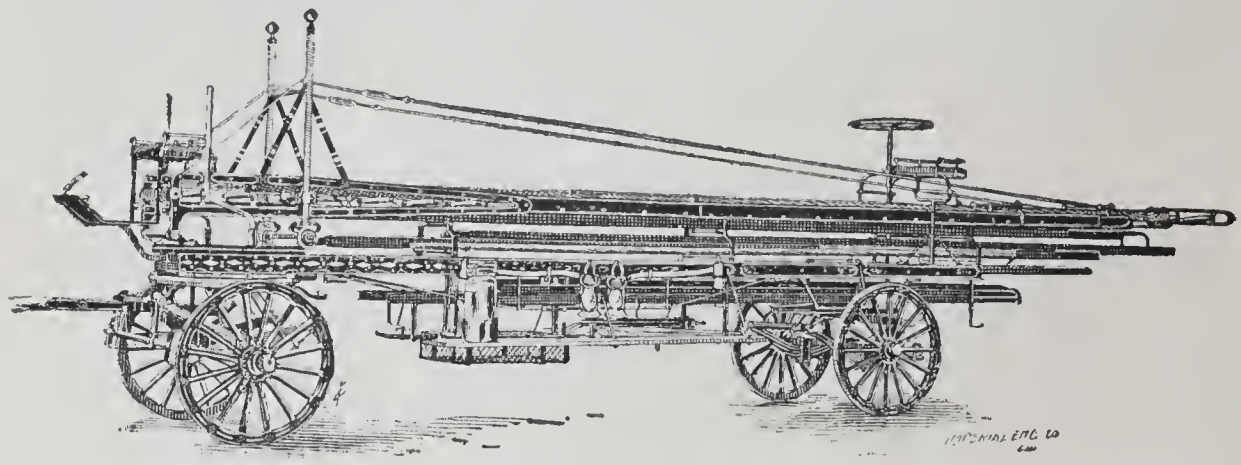

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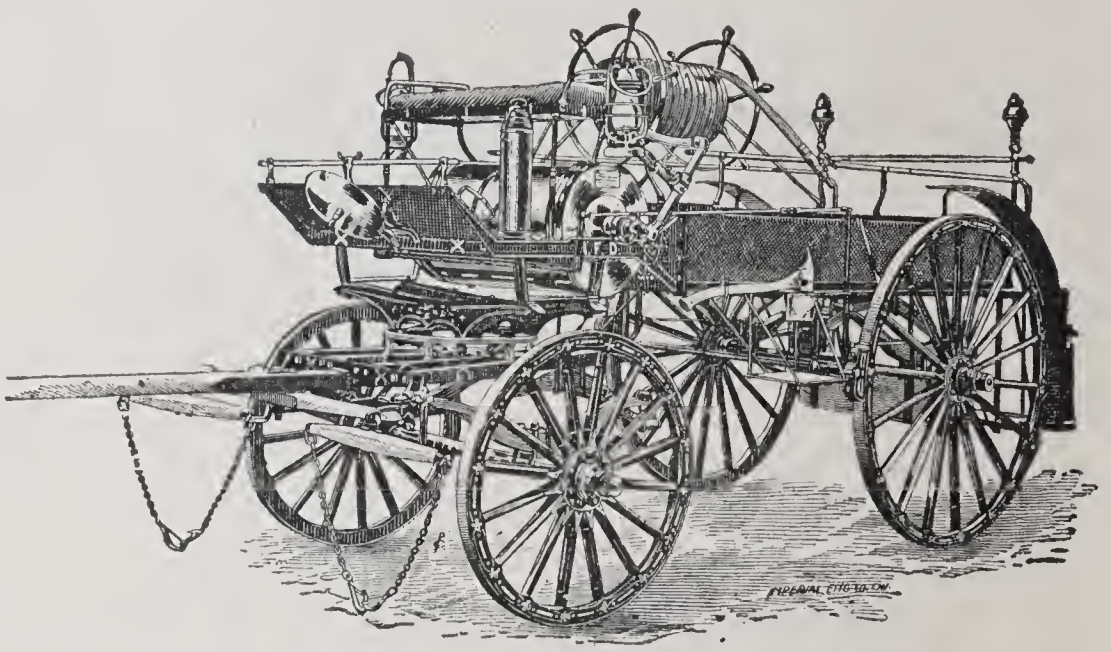

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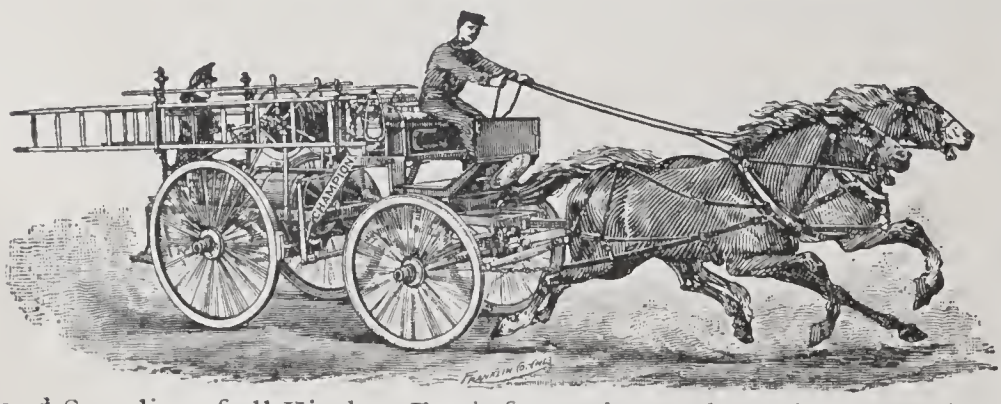

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